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Washington, November 1.

American military supplies for President Chiang Kai-shek's faltering forces will be rushed to China within the next two weeks, according to reliable informants today.

US Advisory Group For Nanking

Nanking, November 1.

The American Secretary of Defense today announced the establishment of a joint United States military advisory group to the Republic of China to become effective from November 1, according to an AAG release today.

This replaces the existing Army Advisory Group and the Naval Advisory Group with a survey board for co-ordination of military and naval advisory assistance to the Nanking Government under one command.

Major-General David G. Barr, now chief of the Army Advisory Group, has been appointed director of the new organ. The mission of the new organ will be unchanged from that of the previous organizations.

The release noted that the joint military advisory group will consist of an army advisory division, air force advisory division, naval advisory division and combined service forces advisory division.

Brigadier-General Charles E. Thomas, Rear-Admiral Francis P. Old and Colonel John C. Daly will be the chiefs of the air, force, naval and combined service forces advisory divisions, respectively.—United Press.

Gold Yuan Devaluated In Taiwan

Nanking, November 1.

The Government today in drastic devaluation of the new gold yuan currency ordered the exchange rate between the gold yuan and the Taiwan currency to be lowered from one to 1,335 to one to 1,000. This followed the untangling of August 19 prices and wages yesterday, which depreciated the gold yuan's purchasing value by 50 to 75 per cent.

The two steps appeared to have substantiated the observation that the Government's August 19 economic reforms were beginning to fail and that the gold yuan may go down the same way as the discarded Chinese national currency.

Premier Wang Wen-hao, and Finance Minister Wang Yun-wu, who put through the August 19 economic reforms today, again were reported by the Nanking Evening News to have submitted their resignations to President Chiang Kai-shek.

This report, however, was denied by Dr. Hollington K. Tong, director of the government information office.

Their resignations were reported twice previously but later were found to be untrue.—United Press.

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PICTURE OF THE DAY CARRY ON, LONDON



Sometimes a photograph, like a sonnet catches a moment in time. This was such an incident, as the Household Cavalry, against the green and gold background of the autumn trees, moved past Buckingham Palace. Although the London conference of African native rulers has ended, all the delegates have not yet gone home and here two can be seen watching the Cavalry besides a man who stops on his way to the office.—AP Photo.

Britons In Tientsin, Peiping Told To Leave For Safe Areas

Tientsin, November 1.

The British and American consular authorities here today circulated notices, advising their respective non-essential nationals to evacuate to safer areas while transport facilities are still available but discouraged any panic or extreme alarm.

A similar notice was issued to Americans in Peiping, while the French Consul-General in Tientsin, M. Sigurot, declared that French non-essentials will be advised to follow the American and British example.

There are about 180 Americans at present resident in Tientsin and about 200 French nationals in Tientsin and 150, including missionaries, in Peiping, while the British community here number nearly 500.

The British Consul-General, Mr. A. C. Franklin, told Reuters that non-essentials would be encouraged to avail themselves of transportation facilities, which might also include Jardine and Butterfield ships, but essentials will continue to remain pending developments.

The text of Mr. Franklin's notice said: "In view of the deterioration in the general situation in north China, non-essential British subjects, resident in Tientsin, are now advised to give serious consideration of the desirability in their own interests, to leave while transport facilities are still available."

"A meeting of the British community is being called tomorrow to discuss general questions arising out of this notice. If you can, please attend. There is no question of any immediate emergency and I think we can all take this in our stride."—Reuters.

Fog Delays BOAC Planes

London, October 31.

A great bank of fog over London and Southern England today caused the cancellation of the departure of six British Overseas Airways Corporation airliners and delayed road and rail traffic.

The airliners were due to leave for the Near and Far East, Africa and Australia. They are now due to leave tomorrow. Planes due to land here today, were being diverted to Hurn Airport, near Bourne-mouth, on the South coast.—Reuters.

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Russian Ship Collides With Blue Funnel Liner

The Russian ship Poltava is now lying in shallow water at Kowloon Bay as the result of a collision with the Blue Funnel 7,308-ton liner, the Eumecus, at the entrance of Lympn Pass about 5 p.m. yesterday.

According to reports, the Poltava was entering harbor with a cargo of soyabean from Korea when the Master, Mr. Belfor, sighted the Eumecus approaching.

Two hulls were wounded from the collision, indicating that the Russian ship was going to pass on the right of the Blue Funnel vessel.

When the two ships were near each other, the Russian master apparently changed his mind and, instead of passing on the right, tried to change course but, due to the strong currents, was unable to do so before his ship struck the Poltava and sank.

MIXED REACTION TO GOVT REQUISITIONING

Public reaction to Government's requisitioning of more than 30 vacant premises in the Colony on Sunday morning is mixed—some condemning the move, others praising it.

The white collar class is sceptical whether the object of the move—the solving of the acute housing problem and key money racket—will be attained.

Owners of the buildings seized by Government on Sunday were reluctant to comment. By yesterday afternoon, none of them had lodged any protest or made any representations to Government.

"It's a good move. There should be no vacant houses in Kowloon and on the Island," commented Mr. F. C. Climo, of the Kowloon Residents Association.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, one of the biggest real estate owners in the Colony remarked: "I'm surprised that there should be vacant premises at a time when so many people are looking for houses."

"Government," he added, "has acted wisely by giving the owners a chance to make representations."

Sir M. K. Lo said it was a "very good step."

"It is a good move. The sooner vacant houses are occupied by bona fide tenants the better," commented Mr. D. P. Landis, a representative of Humphreys Estates whose property are not involved said that Government action was a good thing for the Colony in view of the fact that so many people are without houses.

Mr. W. K. Lee, of Leo Hysan Estates, Limited, was reluctant to comment on Sunday's action. He said that he had no time to read the papers and therefore was in no position to comment.

He, however, denied that he was the owner of No. 278, Prince Edward Road, two flats, which were seized by Government on Sunday.

A representative of No. 14, Caroline Road, who was among Sunday's requisitioned premises, said that they had written to the authorities about the premises. They said that the premises were fitted out for the China Motor Bus Company, Limited, on a monthly tenancy basis.

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Reshuffle In Cabinet Imminent

Nanking, November 1. A Cabinet reshuffle appears imminent tonight with Premier Wang Wen-hao, head of the Executive Yuan in China's first constitutional Government having tendered his resignation to President Chiang Kai-shek.

Mr. Wang, whose offer of resignation was confirmed in official quarters, was reported to be insistent upon resigning despite President Chiang's efforts to persuade him to remain.

At the same time, the Finance Minister, Mr. Wang Yun-wu, whose first offer of resignation has been turned down by Premier Wang tonight, renewed his request to be relieved of the finance portfolio, emphasizing his decision by refraining from official duties.

The resignations of both officials are believed to be prompted by the unexpected failure of the economic and currency reforms, which were promulgated by the Government two months ago and which, in effect, appeared evident last night with the reversal of basic controls to avert further deterioration.

If the resignation of Premier Wang is accepted, it is believed that President Chiang will face a difficult task of picking a successor to a post known as a thankless job, observers here said tonight.

Since he assumed the premiership in June with known reluctance, Mr. Wang Wen-hao has been subjected to sporadic attacks both in and out of the Legislative Yuan.—Router.

DR. SUN MOOTED AS NEXT PREMIER

Shanghai, November 1.

It is reported, though unconfirmed, here that Dr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, will replace Dr. Wang Wen-hao as the new Chinese premier.

The reports also said that the present Vice-Minister of Finance, Mr. Hsu Po-yuan, will replace Mr. Wang Yun-wu as Finance Minister.

General Pai Chung-hsi, in present Commander-in-Chief in China, is said to be replacing General Ho Ying-chin as Minister of Defence.—Router.

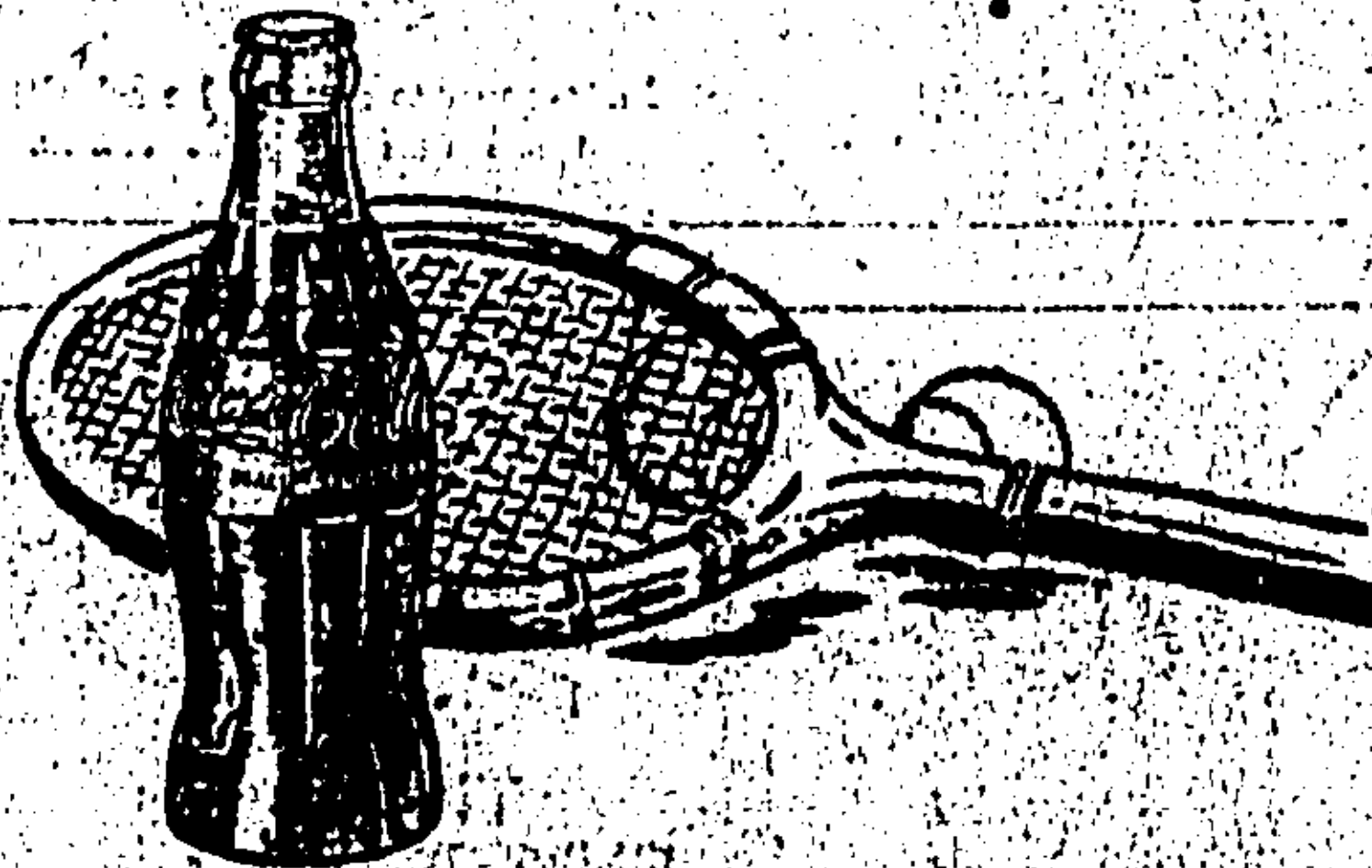
INSPECTION CONFERENCE

Lake Success, November 1.

The International Labour Office announced on Sunday that representatives of 18 nations will meet at Kandy, Ceylon, on November 15 to 20 for a conference on labour inspection services.

Invited are Burma, Ceylon, China, Hong Kong, India, Federation of Malaya, Pakistan, Philippines, Siam, Singapore, Afghanistan, Australia, Nepal, and New Zealand.—Associated Press.

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TOEG TESTIFIES IN BRIDGE HOUSE TRIAL

Stories of Japanese atrocities at Bridge House and the Union Jack Club, Shanghai, again occupied the War Crimes Court at Lyemun Barracks yesterday.

Charged with responsibility for these outrages are Lieutenant General Kinoshita Eiichi, commanding officer of the Shanghai District Kempetai, and Sergeant Yoshida Bunzo, of the Foreign Section, Special Branch of the Kempetai.

David Toeg, who was detained at Bridge House for six months, said he was required to sit cross-legged on the ground holding feet office chairs at arm's length above his head. As he was doing this he was continually hit with a bamboo bat.

After this treatment was completed, he was unable to lift his body. He remained on the ground for 15 minutes, and the Japanese carried him downstairs back to his cell. It was a week after he was released.

On August 12 he was again taken up for interrogation, and following a series of slappings he was once more subjected to the chair torture. This time he was able to stand it for 20 minutes, after which he was helped back to his cell.

After several further slappings and beatings, he was one night told that unless he revealed the hiding place of his transmitter, his mother and wife would be brought to Bridge House and given the same treatment that he had gone through.

This threat was not carried out after he repeated that he really had no transmitter, but he was subsequently subjected to so many tortures that he had lost count of them.

Kicked By Officer

There was, however, one occasion which was not in his mind. It was on December 23, when a party of officers came to his cell. One of the officers came up and kicked him on the shin and groin. His underclothes were covered with blood.

There was another occasion at night, when he was told to get up and stand in front of the prisoners. The guard was not satisfied with the manner he bowed, and hit him across the forehead with the bunch of keys he was carrying. The blow cut open his forehead.

In the same cell were five Chinese and a Japanese. One day the five Chinese were marched out, and they never came back, he said.

"My cell was in a commanding position, and I could see what was going on in the other cells," he said.

There was one Chinese prisoner who gained all the time, and could not take any food.

There was an American prisoner named Leroy Healey who went mad after he had been put to the water torture. He ran round in a circle in his cell, and the gendarmes handcuffed his hands and feet.

He then banged his head against the handcuffs, causing blood to come out. Witnesses tried to restrain him, but he kept on shouting "No. 7."

A more decent gendarme later took off Healey's handcuffs after he had somewhat calmed down, and he was taken out of the cell. It was not until the next morning before witnesses saw him again.

Russian Tortured

Witness described how another prisoner, a Russian named Vladimir, was brought back to the cell by two gendarmes in a

bad shape after having been subjected to torture. He was treated by a doctor and a nurse and after he had recovered he was given certain privileges.

In cell No. 5 were two foreigners, Boris Topas and James Canning. Topas was released on January 10, 1943, a big slapping man, but a few days later he was re-arrested.

When witness left Bridge House, Topas was shadowed by his former self. Later, when he met Topas in the street he was puzzled by the arrival of his body, as he is still today, added witness.

Witness said he lost 43 lbs in weight as the result of dysentery, and when he was released on January 16, 1943, he was suffering from beri beri.

Describing the condition of the cells when there was an inspection by officers, witness said on such occasions prisoners were told to clean up and were made to sit in rows at a certain pace from each other to await the arrival of "His Lordship."

"I recognise him very well," said witness when he was asked whether first accused Kinoshita was in the party. "To the best of my knowledge he was in the group of officers inspecting the prison. He had a lot of gold rings on him."

"Even if they wanted to find out anything, they could not, because they just walked in and walked out, and the place had been cleaned out and everybody was made to look happy."

Witness added that there was no doubt Kinoshita was the highest officer, from the behaviour of the other officers.

Dr. Sturton described the various facilities at the Camp. Every man on entering camp was medically examined and a record was kept. These records were now with the British Red Cross.

They were instructed by the Japanese to furnish monthly reports. He kept personal notes of these reports.

All Suffered

During the time he was in camp he had examined about 30 prisoners brought back from Bridge House or other places of detention. After giving a detailed description of each, Dr. Sturton added that generally speaking they were all suffering from physical and nervous disability.

Describing the return of Hutton and Watson to the Camp after their torture at Bridge House, Dr. Sturton said that two days before their return he was sent for by Lieutenant Honda, the assistant camp commandant, and was told of their return, and that one of them—Hutton—appeared to be insane.

Further hearing was adjourned to 10 a.m. this morning.

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Violet Peel Centre

Health Centre Opened in Wanchai

The Violet Peel Health Centre in Wanchai, now known as the Violet Peel Centre, was opened yesterday.

Dr. G. K. Utley took Press representatives on an inspection tour of the building. Dr. Utley said that there will be four doctors on duty every day. Dr. H. N. Wong is the medical officer in charge and will have three other doctors to assist him. Mr. Slope is the sister in charge.

At the entrance of the building is a registration office. Patients will then be interviewed by the Almoner who will decide whether they can afford to pay medical fees. If the Almoner finds that the patient is too poor to pay, then medical treatment will be given free. The idea, Dr. Utley said, is to keep away people who can afford to get treatment from private doctors. Emergency cases will be attended to.

The four doctors, each have an office on the ground floor. The clinic will open from 9 a.m. to 12 and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on week days and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12.

The first floor of the building will be used as a hospital for eye disease and will not be ready for another year. An eye specialist will be coming out from England.

Decrees Nisi Granted

Two Decrees Nisi were granted yesterday by Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice) to Mrs. Christine Barry and Mr. Martin Dedille respectively.

Mrs. Barry, who was represented by Mr. Enckelmann instructed by Mr. P. A. L. Vine of Messrs. Donsons, sued for a dissolution of her marriage to Mr. Frederick C. Barry on the grounds of adultery. Mr. Dedille, represented by Mr. B. Evans, sued for a dissolution of his marriage to Mrs. Marion Joan Dedille on the grounds of desertion.

An order for cost was made against Mr. Barry and Mrs. Dedille by Sir Leslie Gibson.

CC LECTURE

Sponsored by the St. Thomas More Association, a lecture on G. K. Chesterton, to be given by the Rev. Fr. T. Sheridan, S.J., at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, at the Catholic Club, King's Building. The lecture will be open to the general public.

Health Centre Opened

Full Court Dismisses Appeal By Men Convicted Of Piracy

A Full Court comprising Mr. Justice Gould (Puisne Judge) and Mr. Justice Reynolds (Additional Judge) yesterday dismissed an appeal by the four men convicted in connection with the Van Houtz Piracy.

The defendants were, Ling Cheuk-wa, Keung King-chung, alias Liu Pi, Ling Chan-kai and Chan Chung-man. The first was sentenced to six years' hard labour, while the others each have to serve nine years' hard labour, with 10 strokes of the cane.

They were convicted and sentenced by Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice) on August 18 on the unanimous verdict of a jury of five men and two women. The men were then represented by Mr. Charles Loseby, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ.

At the Supreme Court yesterday, Liu Pi was represented by Mr. A. J. Clifford, instructed by Mr. Russ.

His appeal was dismissed on the ground that the Court saw no exceptional circumstances to give leave to the defence to produce further evidence not available at the time of the trial, and that the defendant had shown no diligence to procure the evidence while on trial.

Mr. Clifford brought the appeal on the grounds that the defendant was convicted against the weight of the evidence, that the alleged identification of the defendant was incorrect and that the defence will produce further evidence, not available then, to corroborate the defendant's own evidence that at the time of the offence he was at Wanchow.

Proper Question Counsel submitted that the question was whether his client was one of the pirates and whether the identification of the defendant was proper and sufficient enough to warrant a conviction.

Mr. Clifford declared that two witnesses at the trial had identified his client differently. One said he looked at his (defendant's) hands and recognised him as the man with a revolver who herded the passengers into a pantry. The other witness declared that the defendant looked like the man with a rifle.

Counsel contended that there was no proper clarification and that the prosecution depended solely on the identification of two persons. His client from the start to the end of the trial had stated that he was in Wanchow and arrived in Hong Kong 10 days before his arrest. He would produce a witness who would say that he was with the defendant in Wanchow at the time of the piracy, counsel said.

Liu Pi's wife made several attempts to contact the witness who, counsel said, had been recommended by the former governor, Sir Mark Young, for his services in holding internets during the occupation.

Asked why witness was not produced during the trial, counsel said that the witness was a travelling trader and it was very difficult for defendant's wife to contact him. When she did, she showed him newspaper cuttings of the trial, which led to his decision to come down to the Colony to corroborate defendant's own evidence.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, acting solicitor general, prosecuting for the Crown, opposed the production of further evidence on the ground that there was no exceptional circumstances to necessitate its hearing.

Investigations He declared that he had read certain investigation following

COURT DISMISSES APPEAL

An appeal by Tse Yau alias Tse Yan against severity of sentence was dismissed yesterday by a Full Court comprising Mr. Justice Gould (Puisne Judge) and Mr. Justice Reynolds (Additional Judge).

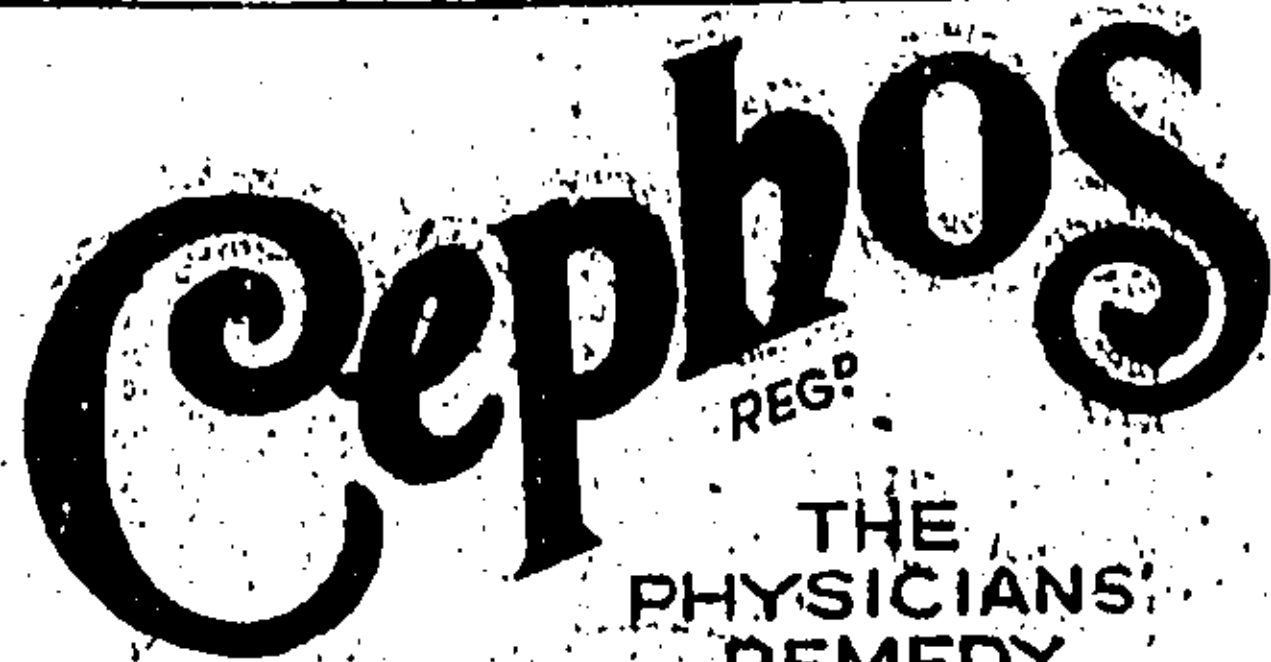
Tse was found guilty by a jury on September 23, of having demanded money with menaces, conspiring to utter a letter demanding money with menaces, and possession of a letter demanding money with menaces. He was sentenced by Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice) to nine years' hard labour.

Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr represented the Crown on the appeal.

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2. Applicants must be:—
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(b) Between 14½ and 16½ years of age.
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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that MR. KENNETH A. MASON has been authorised to sign Per Procuration with effect from November 1, 1948.

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Court Has No Power Over Case, Silva Says

The submission that the court has no power to try the case was made by Mr. Marcus da Silva before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday at the resumed hearing of summons against Mrs. Bortha Pears for breach of the Landlord and Tenants Ordinance.

Mrs. Pears is being summoned by Mrs. E. M. King, represented by Mr. A. J. Clifford, for overcharging for rooms at 4 Knight Street.

After evidence had been given by Mr. G. F. Coster, Chief Inspector of the Hong Kong Flying Club Ltd., as to paying \$300 monthly rent for his room on the top floor of 4 Knight Street, Mr. Silva submitted that the court was not empowered to hear the summons.

Under sub-section 1D of Section 3 of the Ordinance, said Mr. Silva, the decision whether the premises kept by Mrs. King was or was not a boarding house rested entirely with the Tenancy Tribunal. This Tribunal is given the exclusive right, under sub-section 2, to decide the question.

In support of his contention that the criminal court has no jurisdiction, Mr. Silva quoted exhaustively from Maxwell on Interpretation of Statutes, ninth edition. He also referred to "his authority on his contention that the word 'may' must be interpreted as 'must' when used in s. 3 of the Ordinance.

Mr. Clifford, in reply, argued that it was ridiculous to say that the court has no jurisdiction. If the defence contention be upheld, he said, the ludicrous situation of a person being free from prosecution would arise, as s. 2 stipulated that only a landlord or a tenant, but not the Crown could apply for a decision.

All a landlord, charged with retaining excessive rent, has to do is to say in court that he is running his place as a boarding house and, therefore, the court has no power to hear the case.

The court, contended Mr. Clifford, has joint jurisdiction with the civil tribunal, as it has in the case of fraud and forgery. The magistrate's jurisdiction on the rent issue is on the criminal side. But, to decide the criminal side, he has, naturally, to decide on all the material question of facts.

Mr. Wicks announced that he would give his written decision at 1.30 p.m. on November 11.

Blind Girls Get Treat At Picnic

Twenty-four blind girls were taken to Shek-O during the week-end for their annual picnic, funds for which were donated by the public.

At the picnic, the girls were each presented with a parcel containing toilet requisites, handkerchiefs, slippers, hair clips, soap, an enamel mug, and other necessities.

Other purchases were, also made from the Pictic Fund. These included dress material, bedding, shoes, and seafood. The balance of the Fund will be used for a Chinese New Year Party for the girls.

Arrangements at the picnic were supplied by A.S. Watson and Company, Limited, the Dairy Farm, Wellcome Company, and Dr. T.Y. Li and Mrs. Li.

The latest list of donations follows:

Previously acknowledged HK\$1,732
Mrs. W. Kailor 10
Mrs. M. Neuhoff 10
Miss P. Leung 20
"Twin Toddlers" 20
"K.A." 20
Mr. H. Tung 20
Mr. A. Morris 100
Mr. M. Loockomall 20
Indian Emporium 20
Karamally Ltd. 20
Fancy Bazaar 10
Mr. Fok 20
Tye & Co. 20
Mrs. Tso 20
The Radio People 20
Total HK\$2,561

9 Arrested In Raid On Divan

Seven men and two women were arrested in an unnumbered hut in Tai Kok Tsui when Sub-Inspector McLeod raided the place in the small hours of the morning on Sunday.

Hon. Tung, the alleged keeper, was sentenced to six months imprisonment and a fine of \$150 or two months.

Three male and two female smokers who were on bail of \$100 each, were fined \$45. The other smokers were each fined \$35 or two weeks.

Wong Yau and four smokers were arrested by the raiding party led by Detective Sub-Inspector Fung She-lung in a hut at Sai Yee Street on Saturday night.

Wong claimed that he had dependents in Hong Kong, and his case was remanded for one day for investigation.

One smoker who was on bail of \$100 was fined \$35. The others detained were each fined \$25 or two weeks.

Danish Vessel On Maiden Trip

The Danish steamer "Helrich" Jensen left Hong Kong yesterday for her maiden trip on the China-Salmon Straits run of Butterfield and Swire.

The ss. "Helrich" Jensen arrived here on October 12 from the Strait after completing her last voyage for the Royal Inter-ocean Line's Sumatra-Malaya-China service.

She then recuperated in Kowloon docks and berthed alongside the Custodian's Wharf on Sunday, when she made her first appearance at the Quay.

She is now chartered by Butterfield and Swire.

She will stop first at Amoy, thence go to Swatow, Hainan, Saigon, Singapore, Penang and Belawan.

A lecture on flower arrangement will be given at the Young Women's Christian Association, Duddell Street, at 3 p.m. today by Mrs. H. H. Findlay Gourlie.

Mrs. Gourlie's subject will be "About This and That, Mostly Christmas." Admission free is HK\$1. Non-members are invited.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"About that speech you ghosted, Muldoon—what the commentators said I said ain't what you said I said!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

The Authority on Authority

BLAMING IS BAD POLICY
SELDOM is it good policy for one defender to blame the other for something he did during the play. In any event it is unwise to do so unless you have first agreed out whether or not you had been the cause of his move which proved costly or whether the declarer could have obtained the same result by somewhat varied methods. If you or your partner had acted differently, even when you are utterly sure which was all his fault, you still must consider whether or not your "censure" will make him a more inefficient performer on the next and succeeding hands. Remember his morale is one of the assets you require for good results.

by winning the first trick and promptly taking out trump in three rounds. Then he led to the diamond 7 to force the A and East this time switched to the 8 of his partner's spades.

South put on his most skillful clothes then. He let West have that trick with the J; then won the K with the A. Clearing out diamonds from both hands, ready to end-play West which he did by sending the spade 10 to the Q. Now West was on the horns of a helpless dilemma. A spade return would give South a ruff in dummy and a discard of a losing club. Having nothing else but clubs, West led the Q. South got that with his A and led the ace to the 9 against the marked J. Then the club K and heart 5 finished the hand.

East began to criticize West for his club Q return which cost a trick, but the latter headed him off by showing his only alternative was a spade for a ruff and discard. West then tucked East on the point that a club return after he won with the diamond A would have been better than the spade lead he made, and would have prevented the club end-play. The declarer, calm both down as such a trick would have led to a stick in the J or Q, which the A would win. Later, South could have thrown West in with a spade as he did and could have made West pitch away from the remaining club honour.

If you had never heard of the "suff-preference" signal, under what circumstances would you be able to deduce that your partner's high card on a trick asked for a shift in lead to the higher-ranking of certain other suits?

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RESULT OF UNFREEZING AWAITED BY HUNGRY SHANGHAILANDERS

100 Smugglers Arrested

Canton, November 1. Contraband valued at some HK\$20,000 was seized by Customs officers and their assistants when they swooped on smugglers at a Canton-Kowloon Railway station on the suburbs of this city. The preventive officers also arrested more than 100 smugglers.

SIAMESE BUDGET WILL BE BALANCED

Bangkok, October 31. Simon will have a balanced 1949 budget, with revenue and expenditure each about 1,600,000,000 bahts, it was officially learned here today.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

12.16 p.m. Religious Talk to Children.
(Studio)

12.30 p.m. Daily Programme Summary.
(Studio)

12.35 p.m. The George Melachrino Orchestra (HRTS)

1.00 p.m. The Three Buns (Studio and Vocal)

1.15 p.m. News, Weather Report and Announcements

1.25 p.m. Orchestral Interlude

1.30 p.m. "From the Heart of the East"
(Studio)

1.40 p.m. Chinese Drama
(Studio)

1.45 p.m. Programme Summary.
(Studio)

1.50 p.m. Children's Story "Shoes for a Queen" A Fairy Tale by Grimm
(HRTS)

2.00 p.m. Drinking Songs
(Studio)

2.05 p.m. Peter Valdermar at the Piano (Studio)

2.10 p.m. World and Home News (London Relay)

2.15 p.m. "The Top" Talks on Sport (Studio)

2.30 p.m. "Memories" Presented by Allen Woods (Studio)

2.35 p.m. "From the Editor's Desk" (London Relay)

2.40 p.m. University Programme: Medicine No. 12 "A Surgical Survey" By Professor G. Jefferson (HRTS)

2.45 p.m. B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra
(Studio)

2.50 p.m. A Short Story "The Angel" by John Galsworthy and read by Jack Shepherd (Studio)

2.55 p.m. "Elements of the Orchestra" A Talk by the Rev. Fr. T.P. Ryan, R.C. No. 9, Tinseltown and Tinseltown (Studio)

3.00 p.m. Radio News Reel (London Relay)

3.05 p.m. Eric Barker in "Waterlogged Ship" (London Relay)

3.10 p.m. Variety at the Mulla House
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3.15 p.m. Weather Report and Close Down.

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Shanghai, November 1. Hungry Shanghaianders this morning expectantly awaited the reaction of the local traders to the Chinese Government's action last night in unfreezing the August 19 price ceilings and wages.

It is generally predicted that goods and daily necessities would be available in sufficient quantities commencing today as a result of the Government's dramatic move—but at new prices.

As early as last night—only a few hours after the lifting of the ceilings became known—large quantities of meat and vegetables had reappeared while this morning all policemen and investigators assigned to markets during the past months to check on the enforcement of ceiling prices were withdrawn.

In response to popular demand, the Government, through the Executive Yuan, last night decreed:

First, prices are to be immediately unfrozen. This is to apply to essential commodities, including daily necessities and industrial raw materials.

Secondly, wages shall be raised. The decree stipulates that "the wages of workers shall be readjusted with reference to the needs of their livelihood."

Thirdly, public utility rates shall be increased. The decree authorizes public utility and communications enterprises to charge more to keep in line with their costs of operation.

Day Of Rumours

Amid the ruins of the August 19 level to which the Government had tentatively clung in the two-months' period of hope, confusion and finally despair, the Government threatened to take action against "speculators and hoarders."

The decisions announced in the Executive Yuan decree, announced a day of rumours. The new rules, intended to relieve the acute shortage of commodities which had brought normal business activity to a standstill in the major cities, authorities Government agencies to revise the prices of cotton yarn, cloth, sugar, coal and salt on the basis of the prevailing cost.

The official version of the Executive Yuan decree reads: "With a view to improving economic control, it is hereby required that the following supplementary measures shall be adopted:

"First, foodstuffs shall be bought and sold at open market prices and there shall be no restriction in their transportation and distribution. Hoarders and speculators shall be severely punished in accordance with the regulations governing food control.

"Secondly, the existing food rationing programme in the six major cities shall be continued by the Government.

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Emily Hahn Mother Again

New York, November 1. A daughter—her "second"—was born last Wednesday to Emily Hahn Boxer, author of "China to Me" and "The Soong Sisters."

She is the wife of British Major Charles Boxer whom she married after his release from Japanese internment at Hong Kong. — Associated Press.

PI Scouts Disbanding

Manila, November 1. The United States Charge D'Affaires, Mr. Thomas Lockett, today announced that the Philippine Scouts—20,000 Filipino officers and men in the United States Army—would be disbanded gradually and disbanding would be completed by September 30 next year.

Pointing to the long and distinguished record of the Scouts, Mr. Lockett said the United States Government had come to this decision with regret.

He explained that since the Philippines were now independent, the United States had for some time felt the Scouts should be disbanded.

"It has been the long-standing policy of the United States not to employ bodies of troops comprising nationals of other countries," he added.

It was understood some 3,000 Scout soldiers who are United States citizens, or who were in the service prior to 1943, would be offered an opportunity to enlist in the United States regular Army. Scout officers who are United States citizens may apply for commissions in the Reserve Corps and continue in active duty. — United Press.

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US Official In Vienna Reported Slain By Reds

Vienna, October 31. The United States and Austrian authorities today reported that four Russian soldiers abducted and "most brutally murdered" a United States Legation official here early today.

The slain official was Irving S. Ross, 38, of East Hardwick, Vermont, an employee of the Economic Co-operation Administration Mission to Vienna.

The Austrian police found his badly-battered body in an automobile in the Soviet-occupied suburb of Inzersdorf this morning. His skull, and forehead had been crushed and the upper part of his body appeared to have been bayoneted.

The police said Ross was driving near the border between the British and Soviet sectors around midnight with an Austrian girl, Anna Sukkenina, when four Russian soldiers in a jeep stopped them.

They reported that two soldiers stepped into Ross' car minutes and told investigators and, by brutally beating him with gun butts over the head,

forced him to drive in the direction of Soviet headquarters at Baden. The police said both Ross and the girl tried to resist.

Two Russians "continuously beat Ross and threw the unconscious girl out of the moving car." The other two soldiers followed in their jeep.

The Austrian police found Ross slumped behind the steering wheel of his car. The ignition wires and four wheels had been removed. They found the girl about three arm, and brought her to hospital for the treatment of "critical wounds she sustained from the hands of the Russian soldiers," according to the police report.

Later this afternoon the girl regained consciousness for a few minutes and told investigators what had happened. — United Press.

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THE THIRTY-FIRST INSTALMENT.

The Stilwell Papers



AUGUST 22—LETTER TO MRS. STILWELL. The enclosed letter from the 12th Engineer Regiment is to my mind a gem of prose. "At the communication you have been promoted to be one of the very few four-star generals of the US Army. Here the whole of this regiment renders you its warm congratulations and does believe there is nothing competent for expressing your consummate achievement in this theatre which was taken for granted. I have let them do their work and cancelled most of their belated meetings. Now they realise they must again face the daily blast of wind and paper, and they don't relish the idea. We already had it on a common-sense basis."

AUGUST 23—Louis (Mountbatten) here tomorrow. Message from George Marshall: Chiang Kai-shek through Kung has agreed to do it (i.e., appoint an American commander in chief for Chinese Army). Nelson and Pat (Hurley) are leaving today. Copy of F.D.R. (message) to Chiang came in later. Sunbath, dead beat.

AUGUST 24—Got started at 8:30 for Colombo. [To wait at Mountbatten's arrival] In the AM at 11:00. Ordered cabs and went to the field. Estimated Time of Arrival now 1:30. Went to Mount Lavinia beach, and to White House for lunch. Back to Ratmalana (airport). Estimated Time of Arrival now 3:30. Christ went and got ice, picked up the crab and went to zoo. Good selection of monkeys—one with a big red ass. One gibbon. Eighty coloured macaques. Back to the field. Finally came at 3:30. Foolish around and then I thought for Chinese Army. Nelson and Pat (Hurley) are leaving today. Back home at 6:30. Dumb day, but now I am all through with Colombo.

LETTER TO MRS. STILWELL. The situation in Europe looks like a crackup can come almost any time. Then with one war on our hands, maybe Mr. Churchill will allow Mr. Roosevelt to give me some help. (The presidential backache seems to be subsiding. Hurley and Nelson coming over.) Help on the shovelling!

I went down to Colombo to welcome Mountbatten on his return. I went to the zoo first to look at the monkeys just to get in the mood. He was not at ease with me when he first stepped out, but his trip had to do with an operation on his deputy's throat. Maybe the fourth star threw a monkey wrench into the machinery. At one time or another all the Best People have attempted to get to the top of the mountain, but have somehow slipped up on it—up to now—anyway. We finally got Mitch (Myitkyn). It was a bitch of a fight and with the raw troops we had, full of anxiety, but we are sitting pretty now. What a relief. The war was for the Limes. They had said it was impossible, so often and so vehemently that they just couldn't believe it was true. Satisfaction. The Chinese generally are all pepped up over the fight there. Soldiers have put up here. The FIRST SUSTAINED OFFENSIVE IN CHINESE HISTORY AGAINST A FIRST-CLASS ENEMY.

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JUNE 9—1,807 Chinese casualties evacuated from Mitch. JUNE 11—Wheeler back. Supreme Allied Commander (Mountbatten) going to United Kingdom and deputy to take over. Louis wants to know what about it. Well, what about it?

The wear and tear on the nerves continues. Are we attempting too much? Can they hold on? Is there a surprise ready? Counterattack? Will our people stick it out? Casualties too heavy? I can tell that I've had nearly enough of this. It looks easy for an outsider to command, but it's rough as hell on a warrior.

Don't Joe at checkers. [UNDATED] COMMANDER Principal lead is standing (disappointment and upsetting of plans. Everything conspires against him—dumb execution, weather, misunderstandings, jealousy, deliberate obstruction, jealousy, etc. Must be prepared to accept fifty per cent results in twice the time calculated. One small block delays the entire move—not just the unit affected. Tendency of Chinese commanders to change the plan if ease for them. Constant check. Constant prodding. Constant smoothing. As Foch said, "To accomplish even a little on the battlefield, much effort is needed." All he can hope is to keep going. A brilliant success is an accident, because accidents are certain to occur. It is only a matter of time or place or disposition by the enemy, that brings a result quickly. A dumb mistake by the enemy may put a unit in an unexpected place and wreck a perfect plan. War is a gamble. All we can do is try and keep a small percentage on our side.

JUNE 22—Remnants of [Jap] 18th Division cooped up South West of Kamling. The end for them.

Radio from Merrill, Louis wants me relieved as deputy supreme Allied commander and has approached Marshall. Substitute to be Wedemeyer or Stilwell. Good. Wedemeyer—that would be a disgrace. Just a feeling of relief if it's done.

JUNE 25—Boatner has malaria.

JUNE 26—Chased Boatner to showers. He cried and protested, told him no argument.

JUNE 27—Good news from Moguang. We have it.

JULY 2—Rain. No further news from Mitch. Message from George Marshall: "How about going to China and fixing things up?"

LETTER TO MRS. STILWELL. The rain is pouring down, day after day, and night after night, and the mud is getting deeper and deeper. We still go on fighting these bastards. A tough and persistent race, but in the Kamling-Moguang area we have broken their backs and had numerous cleanup parties. Over in Myitkyn, they are dug in deep, etc. It's great pleasure to have a hand in this. It's a hell of a drain on nervous energy. I'll be glad of a rest myself. Mountbatten has been up again. He had the nerve to make a speech at our headquarters but he doesn't fool our GIs much. They are getting a look at the British Empire with its pants down and the aspect is not so pretty. You can imagine how popular I am with the Limes. I have been thinking of Mountbatten as a sophomore but I have demoted him to freshman.

Over in China things look very black. It would be a pleasure to go to Washington and scream. I told you so, but I think they get the point. This was my thesis in May last year, but I was all alone and the air boys were so sure they could run the Japs out of China with planes that I was put in the garbage pail. They have had their way and now the house are split, but what can anyone do about it? It's just one of those and might-have-beens. The people who are principally to blame will duck all criticism and responsibility. If this crisis were just sufficient to get rid of the G-mo without entirely wrecking the ship, it would be worth it. But that's too much to hope.

JULY 3—Got radio off to George Marshall on China crisis. Nothing new at Myitkyn. Rain.

JULY 5, LETTER TO MRS. STILWELL—We have pretty well cleaned up the Japs around Moguang. It has been a satisfactory party. We still have our troubles elsewhere and you can readily believe that all is not love and kisses among the various ill-assorted fragments I have to work with. However, I can only do my best. And to hell with it.

JULY 8—Radio from F.D.R. to Chiang Kai-shek and from George Marshall to me. They have been pepped up into him about me. F.D.R. told Chiang Kai-shek to give me full authority to run the show, promoter, to full general.

JULY 11—Ben's birthday—17. Sore throat—papers all day.

JULY 13—Yesterday small gains (at Myitkyn) but everywhere.

JULY 19—Japs at Mitch, showing off on radio. Three groups yesterday. [we] picked up on killed 47.

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Daily in the "China Mail" in future will appear a photograph similar to this one, an odd shot of familiar Hong Kong buildings, and street scenes. Can you recognize where this picture was taken? The answer is on Page Seven.

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FALL OF MUKDEN

The fall of Mukden and the surrender of the Nationalist armies in the "Corridor" forms one of the most important turning points in China's civil war. By this dramatic triumph, the Communists have accomplished the first part of their programme, the total occupation of Manchuria. In view of the rapid debacle of the last few weeks, indicating the complete collapse of the morale of the Nationalist armies, the second stage, the occupation of North China, is not likely to be long delayed. The return of the Generalissimo to Nanking coupled with rumours that Peiping is to be declared an open city, whatever that may mean, offers a clear suggestion that little resistance is likely to be encountered by the Communist armies if their leaders decide to push on to Peiping and Tientsin. In any conflict, the fighting spirit of Fu Tso-yi would be quite inadequate to compensate for his inferiority in numbers and equipment and the probability is that were he seriously threatened by well-armed—with Nationalist arms—Communist forces, he would find discretion the better part of valour and withdraw into Charhar and Suiyuan.

Following on these events in the military field, the air is now full of rumour—born of wishful thinking—hinting at the possibility of the retirement of Chiang Kai-shek and the formation in Nanking of a Government of the Leftist groups which would negotiate peace with the Communists. Not that there is very powerful logic in this approach. In view of their repeated successes and strong military position, the willingness of the Communists to make peace now must be written off as highly doubtful. The least terms acceptable today would require the concession to them of a predominant position in any new national coalition government, and virtually complete control over national affairs.

In the meantime, North of the Yangtse, the military initiative lies entirely in Communist hands and events will be watched closely for signs of the strategy they plan to adopt. There are two views: either they will occupy Peiping and Tientsin, consolidate their hold on North China and establish a new government there, or by-pass Peiping and push South from Shantung with the intention of seizing Nanking and Shanghai and the Yangtse Valley for the more ambitious project of overthrowing the present Nationalist Government altogether. What reserve forces Chiang Kai-shek has maintained under his direct control to resist such an operation is a matter for conjecture. It is reasonable to assume on the basis of China's military record that the Nanking area has not been left defenceless, indeed that an operation against Nanking and Shanghai would meet with the heaviest resistance that the Communists have yet encountered. However that may be, it looks very much as though Chiang Kai-shek's prophecy that the end of 1948 would result in a decision in the civil war will prove not too far astray—though the outcome may not accord altogether with that which was then in his mind.

JUNE 12—114th [Regiment] is moving—they are already beyond Tadiwayang. We are too ready to grab and criticize. Kamling being pounded.

JUNE 13—Just bellyaches from Boatner [at Myitkyn]. "He's pushing—but—" etc., etc.

JUNE 14—Gloomy report from Boatner. Everybody running away and hell to pay generally, and Japs about to take the offensive. Hard rain early a.m.

LETTER TO MRS. STILWELL. Ben graduated from High School. I always visualised being around some of the time he was in school and here we are in a goddam war for 2½ years and we haven't started yet. He'll be an old man and me before I get home. On the other hand, if some of the people who are trying to stick a knife in me have some luck, I may be home any day.

Our Chinese soldier cooks continue to turn in good performance. The other day one of them had been out foraging and on the way in heard a noise in the bushes which turned out to be a Jap major. The cook pulled it down in the grass and stepped out and lay down in the bushes until it went off, making another minor Shinto god out of the major. Then he picked up the souvenirs and came on in.

Five stray Japs charged the regimental command post, 113th Infantry. The pings [Chinese soldiers] shot them all except one, a great big Jap whose ammunition ran out. He kept coming with a surging look on his face and the pings began to shoot at his feet to make him dance. Then the colonel stopped them and told them to grab him. About fifty pings sailed into him like ants on a caterpillar and there was a hell of a fight to see who would get the Jap tied up. He was very dilapidated when they pulled and produced him, all laughing like hell. Quickly enough they hauled him out of the bushes and the Japs were making a killing lately. Got the Japs cut up into several separate hunks and they are paying for it at the rate of ten to one. We're close to a couple of places we want badly. We've had some torrential downpours and some sunny interludes. But we can expect only rain, mud, leeches, mosquitoes and more, etc. It is better than being in Delhi or Chungking or in Kandy with Louis.

JUNE 15—Rain all night, still raining all morning. Struggled with papers. Terrible letter from Boatner, bad news from Myitkyn. U.S. troops are shaking their heads. Either our officers are all rotten, or else Boatner is getting hysterical. I'll have to go down.

Article in The Saturday Evening Post. The one man of genius in Asia is Chennault. "Walking Joe and the Platoon War in Burma." "For I War I foot-soldier."

In other words, "just a dumb bastard. What we should do is give Chennault 500 planes and watch him 'go to town.' And at the end of the article, this fool says we are getting ready for the great battle on the mainland of Asia, against the Japanese ARMY. (Fight with planes and be up to date.) Such Jackass stuff gets under my skin. There is a deliberate plan in the Fourteenth Air Force to belittle everything I do and to invent catchy phrases to make me look like an old-fashioned stooge.

JUNE 16—Good news at last. 22nd in Kamling area having a hell of a time. Before noon. That should have been a killing.

JUNE 17—Fm:at [Myitkyn] alarip.

JUNE 18—With Captain Johnson and two squads of intelligence and reconnaissance platoon to South China, Singapore, and Bangkok. About six miles of hard going, in mud and rain, in two hours and ten minutes. No Japs. Saw Hunter and talked it over.

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UN Faults Make Red Propaganda

Paris, October 31.
The United Nations role in Palestine has proven "the best possible propaganda for Russia," Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr. said today.

Mr. Morgenthau who has just returned from a 10-day visit to Palestine as General Chairman of a \$250,000,000 United Jewish appeal to America, told a press conference: "It was most fortunate that President Truman took action to change American policy concerning Palestine in the UN this week."

"It is high time the United States declared its independence of the British Foreign Office and made its own policy towards peace."

Mr. Morgenthau said that the Jews did not want Communism, but they felt they had no friends in the world. Russia, he said, is using all the faults of the United Nations for Soviet propaganda. He warned that Palestine might form only a base in the Mediterranean from which the West might rally against Russia.

He predicted that the war in Palestine would come to an immediate halt were it not for outside help for the Arabs.

Mr. Morgenthau said: "It is my opinion that if the English Government and lately the Italians did not constantly help the Arabs, the full scale war now swinging on six fronts would stop immediately."

He said that the Israeli Army now numbered 100,000 men and women. Palestine, he said, received 65,000 displaced persons from Europe since May 15 and 15,000 more were to come next month.—United Press.

A strike of over a million iron and steel workers was held today as a probable development in the struggle for power between the French Government and the Communists, hitherto centred on the pits and the ports.

This serious extension of the trouble was in prospect as a result of weekend developments on the eve of the fifth week of the coal strike.

The threat of an iron and steel strike followed an ultimatum for higher wages by not later than November 5, presented on Saturday, by the Communist Iron and Steel Workers Trade Union Federation.

These demands came immediately after the Government's declaration on Saturday that no further increase in wages beyond the 15 per cent granted in September could be contemplated at present. At the same time, the Government was threatened with an offensive against its price and wage policy by the non-Communist Labour organisations.

Trade bodies have hitherto been co-operating actively with the Government in an attempt to keep industrial peace and put an end to the coal strike, which is daily costing the country as much as the value of Marshall aid.

Hopes of the Government, producing a broad policy of appeasement towards the working class and loosening the hold of the Communists on the organised trade union workers were disappointed after a conference of Cabinet Ministers, employers and non-Communist trade union leaders yesterday.

Announcing higher prices for vital food items, such as sugar, fats and oils and a lower price for butter, while merely holding out hopes for "compensatory cuts" in prices of clothing and wine, the Government said these adjustments represented the final move for a new price and wages level and left the workers with six per cent more purchasing power than last August.

No More Grants

At the same time, the Government announced that it would not grant any further wage increases. In Government and labour circles, it is believed, the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour is determined to carry on the fight, which began with the coal strike on October 4, by all possible means.

Communist trade union officials are reported to have been instructed to keep the coal miners out until the assembly of Parliament in 10 days' time. Two pits which were still occupied by strikers in the Saône Et Loire Department of Central France were taken over by troops early today. The operation was completed in 45 minutes. No resistance was offered by the strikers.

The strike of seamen at Marseilles continued today without incident. Only one French ship was expected to arrive at the strike-bound port today.

According to the French Ministry of Transport, stranded passengers were being flown to North Africa and Corsica.

Dockers at Blaye on the Gironde, downstream from Bordeaux, today unloaded coal from the Swedish ship Virgo (2,757 tons), ignoring the instruction of the Communist-led Cokers' Union not to handle coal cargoes.

28 Ships Delayed

Troops landed a Liberty ship at Bordeaux. During the weekend 28 of 34 coal ships were held up in French ports by the refusal of the dockers to handle imported coal.

Troops were helping to unload coal at Dieppe, Cherbourg, Rouen, La Pallice and Le Havre, while

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regarded by observers

secretary of the Federation, were

suspended from their posts on the French National Coal Board by a decree of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce published in the Journal Officiel today.

The order said they were suspended "because of the incompatibility existing between the exercise of the functions of administrators of the Board and the appeal addressed on their responsibility to the miners to suppress safety devices in the mines."

M. Raymond (Tourneval), Secretary General of the Communist-led Railwaysmen's Federation, was also suspended from his post on the National Coal Board. He had already been suspended from his directorship of the French Railways after his union had appealed to railwaymen to stop trains carrying imported coal.

The Minister of Agriculture, M. Pierre Pflimlin, said in a radio speech today that new wage increases in France would have "disastrous consequences for all categories of the nation."

M. Pflimlin described both the recent general 15 per cent wage increase granted by the Government and subsequent rises in the prices of coal, transport and other key items as part of a general "putting in order" of France's wage-price structure.

"Once the operation is completed, there will be no further rises in prospect," he said.—Reuter.

Suspended

M. Victorin Duguet, Secretary General of the Communist Miners Federation, and M. Celestin Blas,

Russia Denies Reports Of Large Police Force

Moscow, November 1.

Pravda and other Soviet newspapers yesterday published a denial to Western accusations that special German police detachments numbering 400,000 have been formed in the Soviet zone of Germany.

Tass articles from Berlin published by the Soviet newspapers ridiculed the charges by implication, stating that in his statement General Lucius D. Clay, United States Military Governor in Germany had reduced the figure from 400,000 to 300,000 and General Sir Brian Robertson, British Military Governor, from 300,000 to 200,000.

Tass said all the figures were "fantastic" and "lies" and "pursuing malicious purposes."

The fact, said the Tass message, are that the German police force in the Soviet zone

was recently increased by 10,000, "which measure was called forth by the necessity of strengthening the battle against speculators and other persons sent into the Soviet zone for the purpose of disorganising its economy."

Meanwhile in another article published by Pravda and other papers, Tass claimed that there have been increases in the "German military formations in the American and British zones of Germany."

The agency said that with recent additions the total number of soldiers in German "military" detachments in the British zone reached 140,000, and that the British authorities are undertaking to increase it to 180,000 by the end of the year.

The German Army is being reconstructed in the American zone as well, Tass said.—Associated Press.

International Car Thieves

Brussels, October 31.
British and French police were understood to have been contacted during investigations by Belgian detectives into an alleged international ring dealing in stolen motor cars.

Six persons were arrested at Brussels today. This followed the arrest of five foreigners at Ostend just over a week ago.

Four of those arrested then are alleged to have been in possession of counterfeit dollars. Three Belgian journalists were questioned by the police after what was described as a "leakage of information" on the case.—Reuter.

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Test Of Aircraft Thought Capable Of 5,000mph

Washington, October 31.
The Air Force revealed today that Lockheed test pilots had successfully made a number of flights in a plane propelled by ram-jet engines which theoretically can attain a speed of 5,000 miles per hour.

Tests have been in progress at Muroc and Van Nuys, California, for nearly a year, the Air Force said. It did not reveal the speeds attained. It said the tests were made in a standard Lockheed F-80 Shooting Star, with ram-jet engines mounted on its wing-tips. The Air Force emphasized that the purpose was to improve and develop the ram-jet engine rather than to modify the F-80. It said the plane was used simply as a "flying test stand."

Ram-jet engines previously have been tested in robot-controlled missiles, but never before by human pilots. The plane used conventional jet engines to reach a speed of 400 mph. Then the ram-jets were cut in. The speed attained was not announced. When the ram-jet engines became active, the conventional turbo-jet engines were turned off, leaving the plane powered by the ram-jets alone.

The Navy announced last January that a missile propelled by ram-jet engines had far exceeded the speed of sound, which is about 760 mph at sea level.—United Press.

Expansion Of North Atlantic Defence

Washington, October 31.

The seven nations planning the North Atlantic Defence Pact intend to expand the alliance to cope with aggression affecting their security in any corner of the world, Western diplomatic sources disclosed today.

The planners reported that the alliance envisaged by the United States, Canada, Britain, France, Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands will cover attacks on their territories and possessions anywhere on the globe as well as on national boundaries.

Moreover, according to present plans, it would provide for possible joint measures to check aggression at any point if it might jeopardise world peace.

Detailed planning of the historic defence union, aimed primarily at checking Communism, will progress rapidly as soon as the State and Defence Departments consult with the next President after Tuesday's election. Preliminary work on the subject is virtually halted pending a presidential review which will determine largely the extent of American participation and co-operation.

American officials expect the United States will enter into the programme as a signatory to the North Atlantic Treaty, and provide supplemental troops to Western European nations until their defences are strong enough to halt aggression from any quarter.

Broad Plans

The present broad plans, authoritative sources disclosed, follow these lines which would be included in the alliance:

(1) An armed attack on any of the seven powers and other non-Communist nations that might join would be considered an attack against all. Each nation would determine the immediate measures it would take and consultations would be undertaken to determine collective action.

(2) Areas protected by the defence alliances would be

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The picture shows steps leading into Mr. Aw Boon-haw's home at Tai Hang.

carefully spelled out in terms of longitude and latitude as they relate to boundaries of the signatories.

(3) Attacks on the possession of major powers outside these geographical limits would form the basis for "immediate consultation by the permanent defence board."

(4) The permanent defence group would consider what immediate measures nations might take when their sovereignty or political independence is threatened.

Officials hope the alliance will include Portugal, Denmark, Iceland, Norway and other Western European nations.—United Press.

Malay Reds Wreck Bridge

Singapore, November 1.

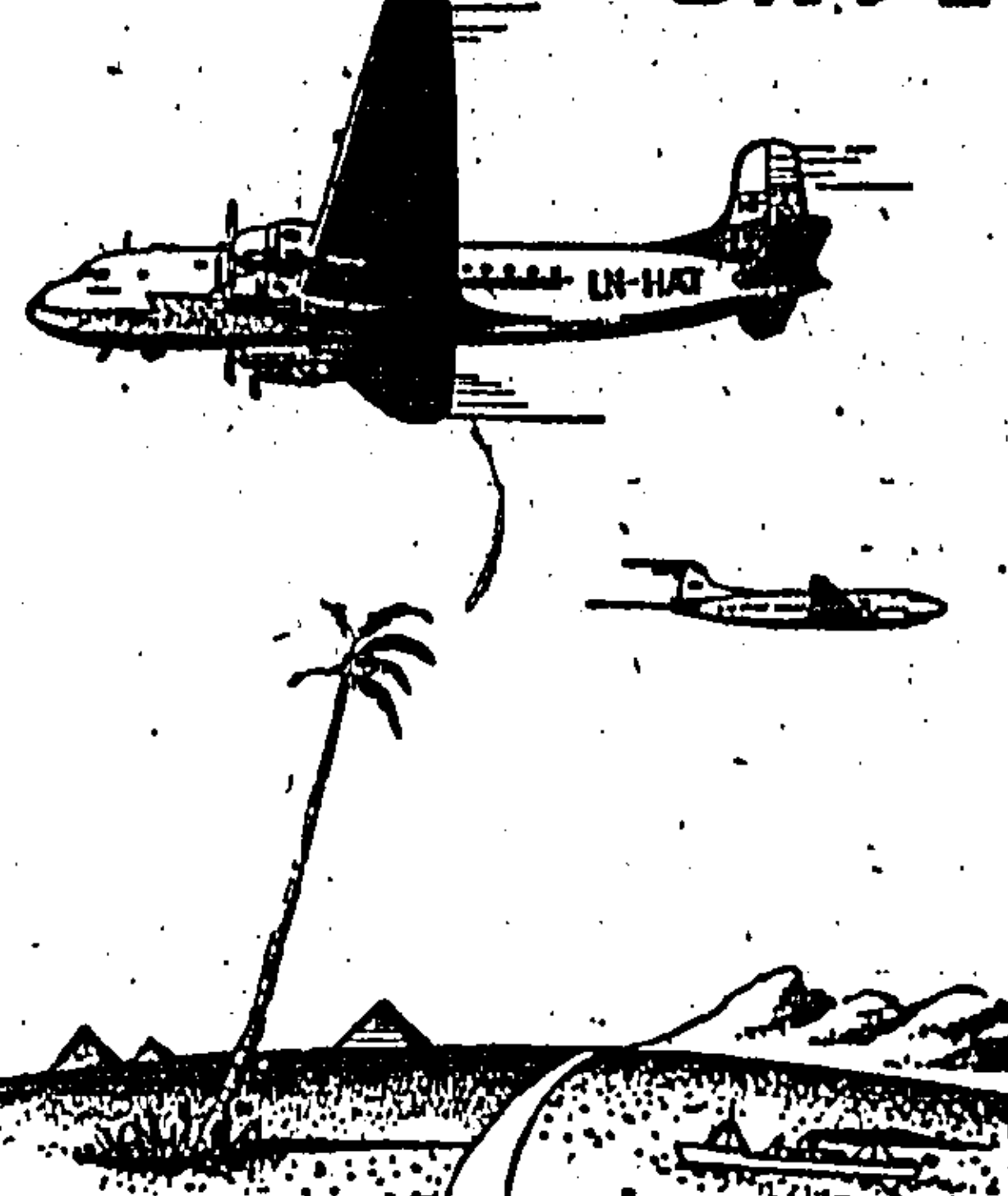
Malaya's Communist insurgents had their first attempt at bridge wrecking on Saturday night.

Communist-laid explosives exploded as a train started crossing the bridge between Regam and Kuala in Johore State.

No one was reported hurt, but the bridge was damaged and passengers had to continue their journey by motor bus.

Meanwhile, one special constable and three civilians were killed and two civilians injured in a series of terrorist attacks throughout the country. No Communist casualties were reported.—Associated Press.

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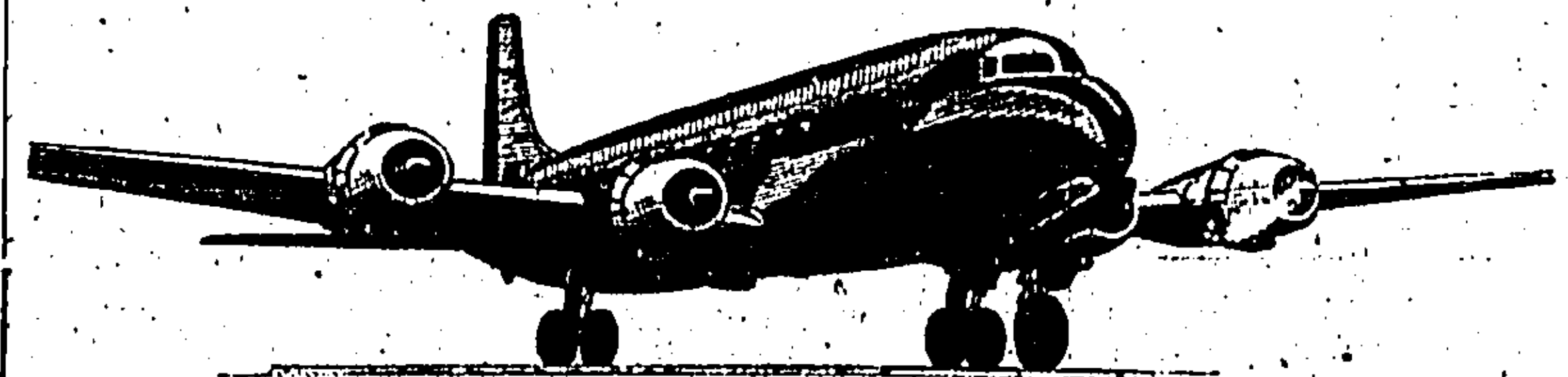
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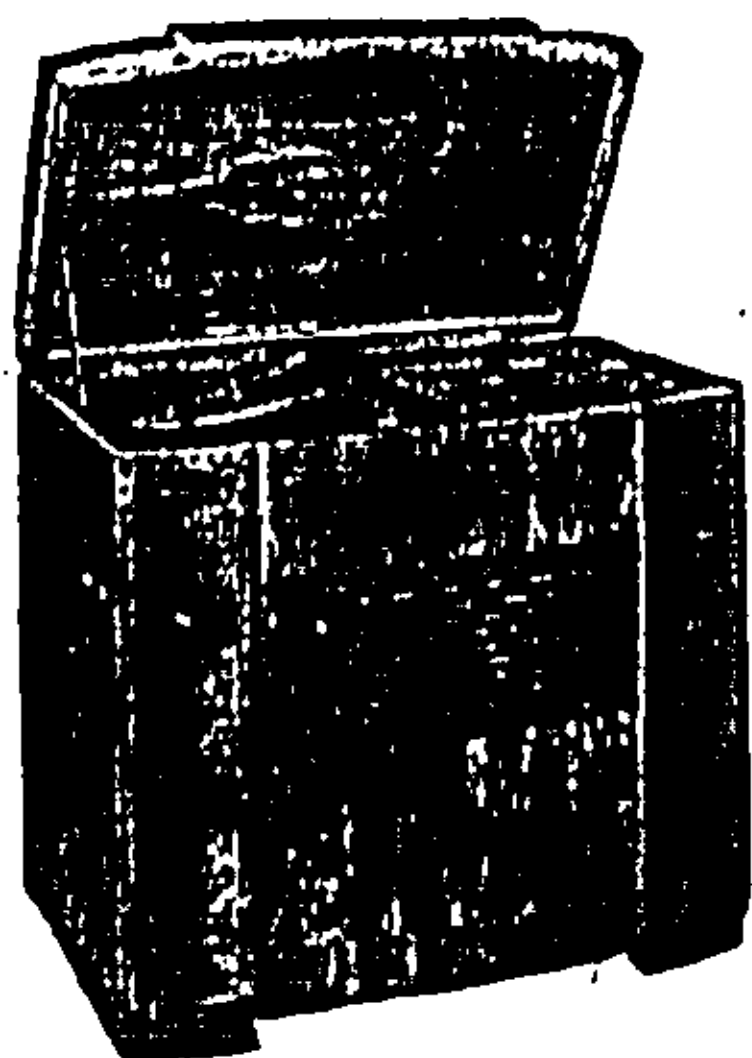


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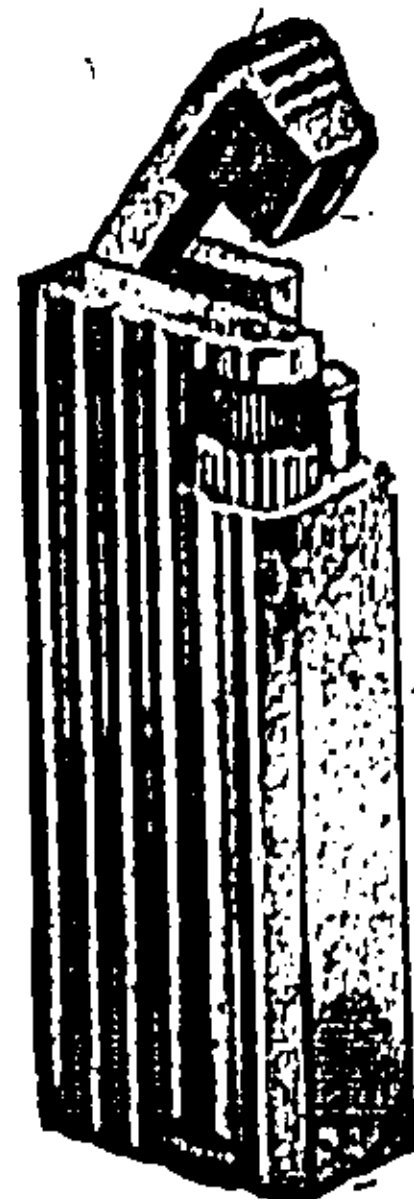
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Mystery Fog Kills 20 In Valley Town

Donora, Pennsylvania, October 31.

A mysterious fog, possibly containing industrial
poison, which has dealt death to 20 persons in
the Monongahela Valley, lifted late today — at
least temporarily—and people were able to
breathe again with ease.Within four hours yesterday,
the fog had claimed the lives
of 20 elderly asthmatic sufferers,
who died for want of oxygen.
The thick blankets of deadly
mist are expected to close in
again tonight, however, after the
skies cleared this afternoon. Be-
cause some doctors believed
sulphur fumes from the Ameri-
can Steel and Wire Company
may have caused the deaths of
aged persons, the Company shut
down its zinc smelting plant to-
day.At Harrisburg, the Governor
(Mr. James Duff) ordered a
thorough investigation to find out
whether the disaster could have
been averted. Investigators from
the State Department of Public
Health arrived on the scene this
morning and began making tests
of the air and of the bodies.

Worse Expected

The fog lifted somewhat when
a breeze sprang up after mid-
night, but later today blankets
of mist again began rolling in
from the Monongahela River and
even denser fog is expected to
close in tonight.Tests are to be made tomorrow
by the Washington County Cor-
oner's office on a sample of blood
taken from the victim of a 70-
year-old victim. A post-mortem
revealed nothing unusual about
the physical condition of the
man's organs.The Washington County
Coroner, Mr. L. C. Gray, re-
ported that all but one of the
victims were between 62 and
75 years of age and all had
been chronic sufferers from
asthma or heart conditions.Many asthmatic sufferers, warned
by their physicians to get out of
town until the fog had lifted,
moved to the mountains, but
there was no panic among the
public.The fog has covered the Pitts-
burgh area for most of the past
week, but it was at its worst in
this community of 13,180 and at
Webster across the river.

Red Cross Clinic

The emergency clinic set up
by the Red Cross and the Ameri-
can Legion in Donora yesterday
was closed this morning when
calls for aid slackened. The Fire
Department has received oxy-
gen tents from out of town and
are prepared to administer emer-
gency treatments.Some 60 persons remained in
the three local hospitals. Many
others were confined to their
homes and hundreds of normal
persons who had difficulty
breathing received shots of
oxygen at the emergency centre
yesterday.Elizabeth Osterber, Secretary
of the Donora Board of Health,
said: "It is a lot easier to breathe
today. We think the situation is
subsiding."The Donora Burgess, August
Chambers, reported that the situ-
ation was "under control" and
said he believed that as soon as
the fog lifted the town would
return to normal.A meeting of the Donora Board
of Health was held this morning
and was attended by officials of
American Steel and Wire—
United Press.

PORTUGAL, NOT ANXIOUS TO JOIN

Lisbon, October 31.

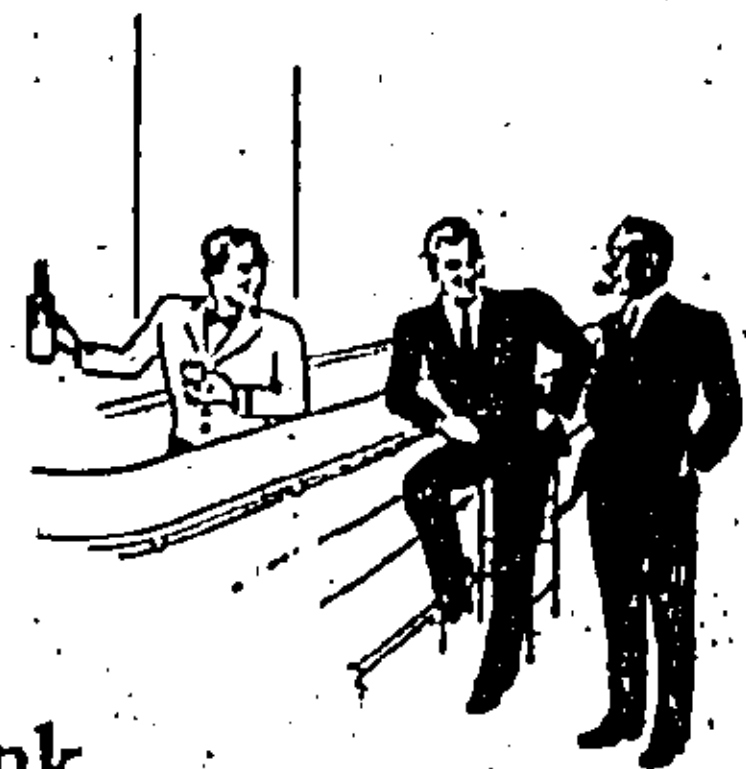
Portugal is not likely to be
among the first nations to join the
Western Union, according to offi-
cial circles here.The sources pointed out that
Portugal was already closely
allied to the West through its
treaties with Britain and facilities
granted to the United States.The sources said Portugal
valued her independence very
highly and would have the gravest
doubts of any formal adhesion to
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Wrong Note For Admiral

London, October 31.
Vice Admiral Sir John
Edgell ended an after dinner
speech abruptly before the
Royal Naval Old Comrades
Association last night.
"By mistake, I brought the
shopping list which my wife
gave me this morning instead
of my notes," he explained.—
United Press.

New Cabinet For Peru

Lima, Peru, November 1.

A new all military Cabinet was
sworn in yesterday by General
Manuel Odría, leader of last
week's bloodless revolt which
ended in the overthrow of Pre-
sident Jose Luis Bustamante's
government three days ago.
Except for few experienced
politicians, the Cabinet consists
of young newcomers on Peru's
political scene.Bustamante, who refused to
sign a resignation, left Peru for
residence in exile in Argentina.
General Odría, 52 a former In-
terior Minister, has announced he
will organize a provisional gov-
ernment pending a national elec-
tion. He has promised to convoke
a national workers' congress aimed
at improving the working class.
He also has promised to improve
conditions of agriculture, Peru's
basic industry.—Associated Press.

Will Cost More To Be Naked

Leicester, England.

November 1.
Nudism, like everything else,
will cost more. The British Sun
Bathing Association decided at its
annual meeting yesterday to
double the old membership fee of
five shillings a year.George Mills of Liverpool, Presi-
dent, said the organization is
thriving, and an official statement
added that "the conference gave
ample evidence of the growth of
the movement towards social
group nakedness."Everyone was fully dressed, the
cold weather probably being res-
ponsible.—Associated Press.

Dutch Dissatisfied With Indonesian Reply

Batavia, October 31.

The Dutch Government regards the Indonesian Re-
public's reply to its proposals for a resumption
of the political negotiations after a five-
months' old deadlock as unsatisfactory, usual-
ly reliable sources said in Batavia tonight.They said the Dutch reaction had been conveyed to
the Republican Premier, Dr. Mohammed
Hatta, yesterday when Mr. Merle Cochran, the
American member of the Security Council's
Good Offices Committee, and Mr. T. G. Nara-
yan, General Secretary of the Committee, flew
to the Republican capital of Jogjakarta.The same sources repeated
the statement made yesterday
and later denied by a Dutch
spokesman at The Hague that
an invitation was also extended
to Dr. Hatta yesterday by the
Dutch and Indonesian Provin-
tional Federal Governments to
come to Batavia for important
"peace or war" talks with Dr.
D. U. Sukker, the Dutch
Foreign Minister, who arrived
here by air tonight.They said the invitation had
been sent by Dr. Hubertus Van
Mook, Lieutenant Governor Gen-
eral of the Dutch East Indies,
and it was inconceivable that he
was acting without the knowledge
of the Dutch Government.
Sources in Batavia also said
Dr. Hatta had received the
Dutch invitation and that he was
considering his reply.Proposals for the resumption
of negotiations were made in-
formally by Mr. Cochran in an
"oral note" to both the Dutch
and the Republicans.
Since then, Mr. Cochran is be-
lieved to have given the Republi-
can the amendments suggested by
the Dutch and the Dutch request
that the Republic keep the military
and economic clauses of the Ren-
ville agreement providing for a
truce in Java and Sumatra.

Truce Failing

Later, Mr. Cochran is believed
to have transmitted the Republi-
can's reply and comments to the
Dutch authorities in Batavia.
According to Dutch sources to-
day, the truce is deteriorating
alarmingly in West Java. Dr.
Sukker consequently was expect-
ed by well informed circles here

CLASHES NORTH OF RANGOON

Rangoon, October 31.

A clash between Communists
and armed Karens in Pegu, a
town about 60 miles North of
Rangoon, was reported in a Gov-
ernment communiqué today.The communiqué announced
that major skirmishes had oc-
curred in the Hanthawaddy dis-
trict South of Rangoon, while in
the Bassien area of the Irrawaddy
Delta, Government forces had
captured two battalions of re-
bels from the rebels.—Reuter.

"Democracy On Trial"

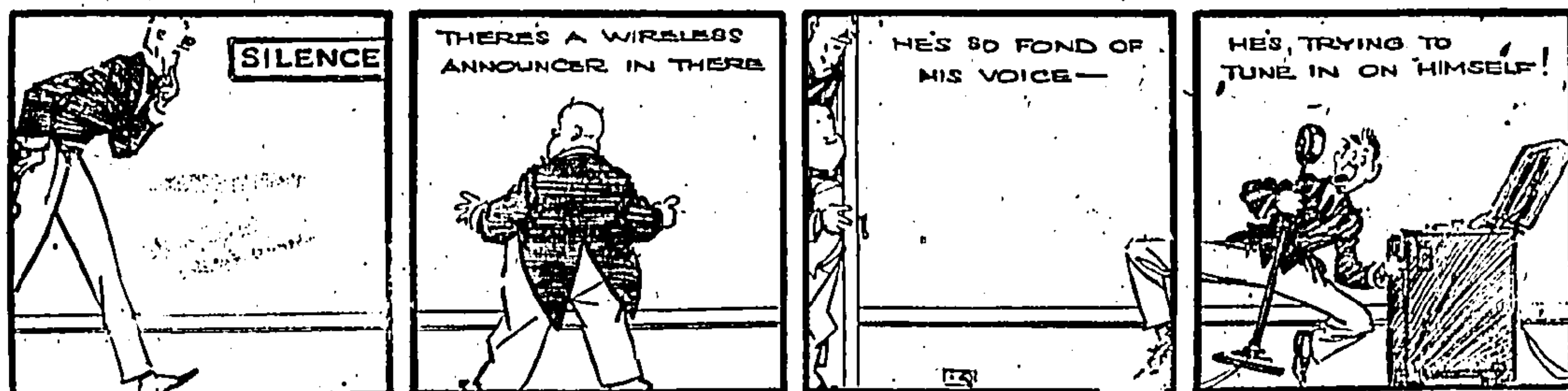
London, November 1.
A group of British Com-
munist laid funeral wreaths
at the foot of the statue of
Franklin D. Roosevelt yester-
day. On a black-bordered
card was the inscription:
"In memory of United
States Democracy on trial,
November 1, 1948."
The gesture was a protest
against the prosecution of 12
Communists whose trial is
due to begin in New York
today.—Associated Press.

Low VD Rate In British Zone

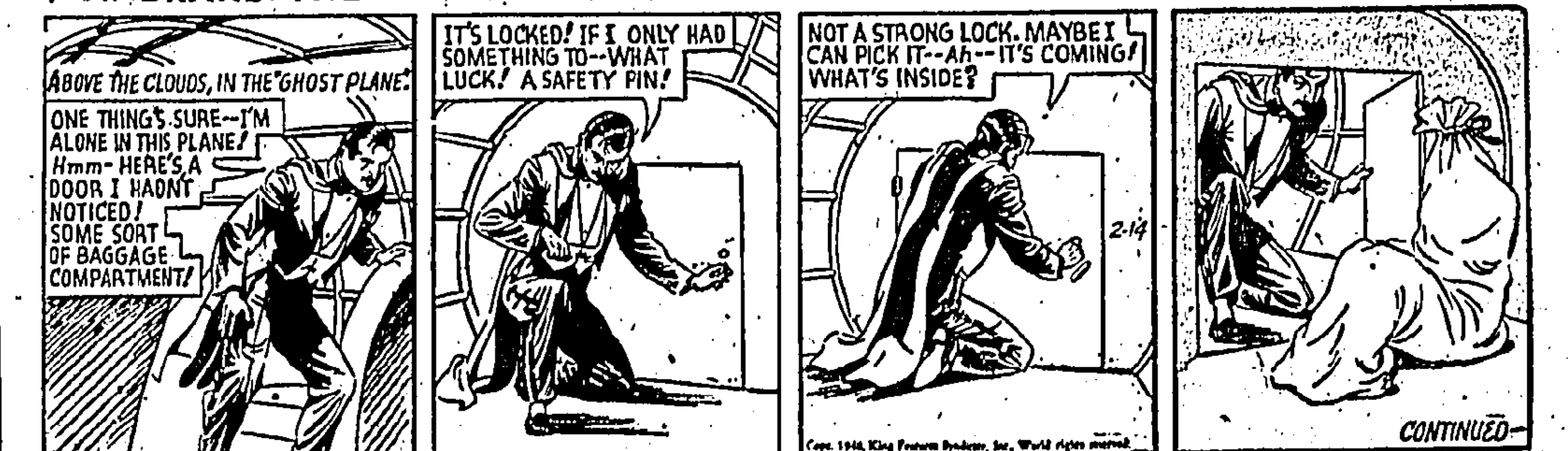
London, November 1.

The venereal disease rate
among British troops in Ger-
many is still decreasing, Dr.
Marle Stopes, world famed
British authority on sex hygie-
ne said yesterday."At present the rate is only 1.5
per thousand every week," she
said.She has just returned from a
sociological tour among British
troops and Germans in the Brit-
ish zone."The figure, she said, is low
when one takes into account the
fact that the figure includes cases
of reinfection.""I want to assure mothers,"
she said, "that the fantastic
figures about venereal disease
in the British zone which have
been circulating in Britain are
incorrect.""Knowing how anxious and
misery many mothers are
feeling as a result of wild stories
being circulated, I took the op-
portunity of looking into the
figures for V.D. among our young
troops in Germany.""I found that they were reas-
suring. Charts revealed that the
rate among young soldiers is
lower than it is in Britain."—As-
sociated Press.

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This does not mean that President Truman has the reputation of being a trimmer—a shrewd politician who chooses the middle road because it is politically safe.

His friends say that he just thinks that way. One biographer described him as "a man of the dead centre politically, just as he is geographically, but he gets there not by plotting his course that way, but by a kind of zig-zag operation, in which he moves back and forth between extremes and is consequently sighted more often in the centre than any place else.

His political rise to the highest office in the land has been dramatic, unexpected and swift.

A powerful political leader in Missouri politics, Tom Pendergast, raised him speedily up the ladder of local politics and eventually sent him to the Senate in 1934, where he attracted little attention until the war.

Then he became a nationwide figure as the Chairman of the Committee investigating the war production programme, will what was regarded generally as outstanding honesty, perseverance and balance.

He has frequently stated that he never wanted the job of being President and his friends believe him. It all started when he was chosen to be the Vice-Presidential candidate of the Democratic Party in the 1944 election, when President Roosevelt was expected to live for at least another four years to see the nation through the problems of peace-making and post-war reconstruction.

Senator Truman was then elected by President Roosevelt himself and the Democratic National Convention, as a compromise middle-of-the-road candidate, between Mr. James Byrnes, who was regarded as Conservative and reactionary by the left wing of the Democratic Party, and Mr. Henry Wallace, who was bitterly disliked as a left wing extremist by the Conservative wing of the Party.

Because of his well-known moderation in all things, however, and because the Party did not expect him to occupy any other office than the comparatively unimportant one of Vice-President, all sections united in supporting Mr. Truman as the man upon the choice of whom they could all sink their differences.

Then unexpectedly President Roosevelt died in the spring of 1945 and Mr. Truman became President, with not only the power, but as events turned out, the compulsion of putting his middle-of-the-road solution into practice, or at least into legislative proposals.

Instead of staying in Washington and standing on his record as he conceivably could have done, he has travelled about 35,000 miles, talked to six million people and delivered 250 speeches.

Unquestioned loyalty over the 43 years in which he has been in politics has earned for Senator Alben Barkley, Mr. Truman's running-mate, the reputation of being the Democratic Party's "admirable Crichton." He has served many political masters with unflinching loyalty, and only once did he ever question what they had done. It was little wonder that his selection as the Party's Vice-Presidential candidate this year was received with such acclaim.

Those who left the Philadelphia Convention Hall with doubts of the wisdom of President Truman's selection as the Presidential candidate, entertained no such thoughts over the grey-haired, ageing, but vigorous and dapper Senator Barkley.

At 74, he is still a man of energy, and one of the most knowledgeable of the Democratic hierarchy. Although his campaign managers organized no such exacting speaking tours as that for Mr. Truman, Senator Barkley on election eve bore no evidence of strain.

He was Majority Leader for ten years—six years longer than anyone else in Democratic history, and a record cut short by the Republican victory of 1946.



HARRY S. TRUMAN.

Candidates Agree In Wanting All To Vote

Washington, November 1.

The tumult and shouting of the US Presidential campaign has died away. Candidates join tonight in appealing to the voters to get out and vote. The major decision for some 50,000,000 or more Americans is whether they want Democratic President Harry Truman or Republican Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York to take over the job as US President.

America considers this the number one job in the world at this time of uneasy peace. Almost as important is the question of which major party will control the sharply contested Senate.

Major remaining event before the balloting are the traditional Monday night appeals for everyone to make his citizenship count. Mr. Truman will head a Monday night Democratic appeal over America's four leading radio networks.

Two of the most popular men who ever ran for Vice President—Democratic Senator Alben Barkley of Kentucky and Republican Governor Earl Warren of California—will join in their parties last minute appeals. Balloting will not be strictly a choice between the Democrats and the Republicans.

Unhopeful Wallace

Mr. Henry Agard Wallace, 60-year-old former Cabinet Minister and Vice-President under Franklin Roosevelt, leads the new Progressive Party in this year's election. He admitted in advance that he has no expectation of winning.

It was Mr. Roosevelt's personal choice for the Vice-Presidential candidacy in 1940, when Mr. Roosevelt was running for his third term.

But in 1944, Mr. Roosevelt chose Harry Truman to be Vice-President instead. Mr. Wallace had brought down heavy criticism from the right wing of the Democratic Party for his Progressive views, and his continuance in office would have caused heavy strain on the unity of the Party.

Today, he claims to be the true successor to Mr. Roosevelt. He is accused widely in the United States of being a willing, or unwitting, follower of the Communist Party "line." He has refrained from repudiating that support, but he has flatly denied that his party policies or programmes.—Reuters.

Socialist Thomas

Mr. Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate, aged 64, has become almost as much a part of the American scene as the National Anthem.

This Socialist leader has stood six times for the Presidency. Each time he has watched his trickle of votes washed away in the torrent of the Republican and Democratic votes.

In the last election, he got 89,000 votes to 23,000,000 cast for Mr. Franklin Roosevelt.

His general after-election action is to murmur "It might have been worse." The Americans, who regard Mr. Thomas with a certain affection, have seen him run for Alderman and Mayor of New York City, Governor of New York State and Congress.

Governor Dewey

The Republican Presidential candidate, Governor Thomas Dewey, of New York, if elected today will be the first United States President to be born in the 20th century. He was born in Michigan in 1892, the son of a local postmaster.

Qualities usually attributed to this brisk and dapper man by his friends and in the press are those usually associated with the words "Twentieth Century"—a shiny streamlining, scientific, calculation, brilliant efficiency, split second political timing, last detail organisation.

Throughout his campaign for the Presidency, his trains have almost always run on time. Living in the cramped sleeping compartments or trains, according to newspaper reports, have found their laundry picked up at one point and delivered spotless at another.

His detractors have criticised him as a mechanical man, a human automaton, mainly concerned with power and votes.

Mr. Dewey first came to national and worldwide attention as the special prosecutor, who in the late 30's cleaned out the gangsters, who were then the scourge of New York City.

His achievements then won him the District Attorneyship of New York and in 1942 the Governorship. In 1944 he was overwhelmingly defeated in his fight for the Presidency against President Roosevelt and some predicted that he would never recover from the blows and destructive criticism which were levelled against him in that campaign.

However, in the Republican Convention in Philadelphia this summer he was chosen as the Republican candidate and as the leader of the more liberal and progressive members of that Party. He has conducted his Presidential campaign with infinite care and caution, speaking most of the time as if he were already elected.

He had to be careful what he said, because it would commit the foreign and domestic policies of the United States for the next four years of his administration.

At one time an opponent of Lend-Lease to Britain in 1941 and an advocate of a view usually associated with the isolationist section of the Republican Party, Mr. Dewey is now a firm supporter of close relations with Britain, the Marshall Plan and for European Recovery and of aid to the Western European Union.—Reuters.



Thomas E. Dewey

Popular Warren

Handsome, strapping Governor Earl Warren, the Republican Vice-Presidential candidate, has provided the human touch in the campaign for the election of a Republican Administration, under Mr. Thomas Dewey.

The great political asset of the energetic and good tempered, 57-year-old Governor of California during the weeks of speech-making tours from the East to his own beloved West Coast has been that he offset the less hearty and less popular personality of Mr. Dewey.

Although a Republican, Mr. Warren was the Democratic candidate, too, when he was elected Governor of California in 1946 with the votes of hundreds of thousands of Democrats. He has also won popularity for his support of Progressive social legislation in California.

His standing with the increasingly large proportion of coloured votes in California improved during the war when as Attorney General he firmly suppressed the riots against Mexicans and Negroes in Los Angeles.

Like Governor Dewey, he made his early reputation as a racket breaker and gang busting Attorney in the State.—Reuters.

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EXTENSIVE TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BRITAIN AND FRANCE

Paris, October 31.

Britain is planning to send France during the next 10 months nearly £1,000,000 worth of machine tools under a new master plan for trade between France and the Sterling area, final details of which are being worked out by officials in Paris and London.

The exports are 1,500,000 tons of British coal, costing £7,000,000, and £9,000,000 worth of machinery, most of which will come from Britain, and other items in the plan according to the French Ministry of Commerce.

Following are the overall figures in the plan under which the materials will be pumped from the Sterling area into France to help put more goods on the French market to lower prices and reduce the danger of more crippling Communist-inspired strikes which have been agreed upon by the British Treasury and the Board of Trade.

Exports from the Sterling area into France during the year August 1948-1949 totalled £141,750,000.

Exports from France to the Sterling area during the same period totalled £89,500,000 plus estimated invisible exports of £1,000,000 leaving the French deficit of £51,250,000.

Until late this summer, French officials feared that the adverse balance trade, already built up with the sterling area, would force them to make drastic cuts in imports from Britain and other parts of the sterling area in the coming year. The signature of the inter-European Payments Agreement at the meeting of the 16 Marshall Plan nations in Paris earlier this month, removed the difficulty.

British and French experts immediately got down to filling in details and the following figures have already been agreed upon, according to French authorities.

Agricultural products, including cereals and fats, £104,000,000; chemicals £10,000,000; textiles, a major part of which will be Australian wool, £65,000,000; petrol, £12,000,000; coal, £7,000,000; machinery, including £2,000,000 worth of tractors which according to French officials will be imported by Britain from the United States and then exported by Britain to France, £9,000,000.

In return, the sterling area will get potash, wood, iron, ore and steel. Britain may also get some luxury goods, but not many.

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Yugoslav Gaols Filled With Communists

Budapest, October 31.

The former Yugoslav Charge D'Affaires in Hungary, Lazar Brankov, in an article published here today declared that Yugoslav prisons were filled with Communists and party members had to resort to illegal activities as in the days of the Yugoslav monarchy.

Writing in the Workers' Party newspaper, Szabad Nep, he said Colonel General Arso Jovanovic was not killed while trying to flee over the frontier to Rumania as officially reported in August but was a victim of a plot by Minister of the Interior, Rancovic.

Brankov, who with six other Yugoslav officials here resigned in support of the Communist last week, stated that Yugoslav leaders were fomenting discord inside other Communist parties.

Belgrade tried to blacken the names of Yugoslav Communists by calling them "moral cowards and women chasers." He himself had been accused of "immoral living" and "immoral conduct" immediately his resignation became known, he wrote.

Yugoslav leaders imagined America would help them out of economic difficulties without attaching political conditions because of America's interest in deepening the Soviet-Yugoslav split, he said.

However, the Yugoslavs failed to realize that by their anti-Soviet conduct they had already fulfilled America's political conditions.

The Yugoslav five-year plan lacked "any connection with reality and showed symptoms of Megalomania," Rancovic.

CHANNEL ISLANDS IN HOME MARKET

London, October 31.

The Board of Trade has announced that effective from November 1 the Channel Islands will be treated from the supply point of view as part of the British home market but United Kingdom goods sold there will continue to be free from the UK purchase tax.

The islands will not in future receive goods reserved for export destinations.—Reuter.

Notice To Consignees

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Money Market

Gold Yuan topped to 43 cents yesterday morning as against 52 cents on Saturday, and 50 cents on Friday, but at the close of the market it improved to 45 cents.

Gold went up to HK\$300.50 a tael shortly after the market opened at \$308, but dropped to \$305.25 at the close.

U.S. dollars opened at HK\$10.17 1/2 and closed at \$10 a 100.

NEI Guilders continued to improve, opening at HK\$34.70 and closing at \$35 a 100.

Sterling was quiet at HK\$93.94 and Australian pounds were a cent higher at HK\$12.53.

Pigeons On Black Market

Canton, November 1.

Canton blackmarketers are now using homing pigeons to receive agents or carry to their agents financial black market and other illegal quotations.

According to a local report this measure of evading vigilance economic police squads was discovered when one of the pigeons, carrying blackmarket information, strayed and fell into the hands of the local police.

Recently the police here made extensive sweeps against underground wireless stations and detained many people. Closely following this the authorities announced severe punishment for any person caught operating illegal wireless transmitters.—Reuter

USSR Increases Supply Of War Goods To USA

Russia has been stepping up shipment of war vital goods to the United States despite an open American ban on similar shipments to Communist nations.

The Soviet Union shows no signs of retaliating for the announced Washington policy of holding down shipments to the Soviet because it might aid Russian war potential. The Soviet response to the virtual American ban has been a sizeable increase in shipments to America.

For the first eight months this year Russian shipments to the US exceeded US\$10,000,000 compared with US\$45,000,000 for the comparable period last year.

The increase is largely the result of large shipments of manganese and chrome ore. These are two industrial metals considered so vital by US military men that they are stockpiling them against a war contingency.

Russian shipments have risen even during the tension over the Berlin blockade. For the first eight months this year chrome and manganese imports from the USSR were valued at US\$14,000,000, compared to US\$10,000,000 last year.

Officials Puzzled

Why Russia keeps on sending this strategic stockpile material to the US has Washington officials, puzzled. But Americans want to make sure their supply cannot be shut off if Russia decides to retaliate for the American ban, or in the event of an outbreak of hostilities.

Reuter

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The market held steady, the main volume being in China Lights. Some losses caused francs while Watsons improved to 50 1/2 for the old shares and 57 1/2 for the new.

HK GOVT. LOANS
4 1/2% Loan 1942-43 100a.
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BANKS
H.K. & S. Bank 1948, 1949a.
H.K. Bank 1948, 1949a.
Chartered Bank 1948, 1949a.
Mitsubishi Bank A. & B. 1948, 1949a.
Bank of East Asia 1948, 1949a.

SHIPPING
Canton Ind. 250a.
Union Ind. 250a.
China Underwriters 6 1/2a.
H.K. Ind. 250a.
Dunlop 270a.
H.K. & M. Steamships 170a.
Indo China (Freight) 30a.
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Shanghai (Freight) 70 1/2a.
U. Waterways 30a.
DOCKERS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
H.K. & S. Wharves 10 1/2a.
H.K. & S. Wharves (N) 13 1/2a.
North Point Wharves 13 1/2a.
H.K. Docks 30a, 30 1/2a, 30 1/2a.
China Dockers 22 1/2a, 22 1/2a.
What Dockers 22 1/2a.

MINING
Ranch Mines 6 1/2a.
H.K. Mines 6 1/2a.
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.
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H. & S. Hotel 100a, 15 1/2a, 10 30a.
H.K. Lands 7 1/2a.
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H.K. Realities 18a.
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PUBLIC UTILITIES
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H.K. Tramways 21 1/2a.
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C. Lights (N) P. M. 20a.
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Macao Electric 25a, 25a.
Sinhalese 25a.
Telokone 25a.
Shanghai Gas 6 1/2a.
25 1/2a, 25a.

STOCKS & BONDS
Daily News (N) 17a.
Daily News (N) 17a.
Watsons (N) 6 1/2a, 50 1/2a.
Watsons (N) 6 1/2a, 50 1/2a.
T. Crawford (N) 13 1/2a, 13 1/2a.
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Sincere 8a.
China Emporium 9 1/2a.
Sun Co. Ltd. 4 1/2a.
Kong Sang 13 1/2a.
Wing On (H.K.) 8 1/2a.
Wm. Powell, Ltd. 11a.

MISCELLANEOUS
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H.K. Construction (N) 4 1/2a.
H.K. Construction (N) 4 1/2a.
Vibron (N) 12a.
Haramon 13 1/2a, 13 1/2a.
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Padang Rubber 1 1/2a.
Rubber Trust 2 1/2a.
Siam Rubber 1 1/2a.
Shanghai Rubber 2a.
Tangier Rubber 2a.
Tehong Rubber 2a.
Zhanghe Rubber 6a.

BURMA TIN SHOWS PROFITS

London, October 31.

The annual report of the Consolidated Tin Mines of Burma shows profits of £7,423 compared with £3,100 last year. The carry-forward at £1,466 compares with a balance of £9,714 the previous year.

A sum of £2,000 has been allocated to the taxation reserve, while £4,423 has been written off as rehabilitation expenditure. The improved results are due principally to improved output and the higher prices of tin and wolfram, stated the directors.

Due to political unrest and disturbed conditions in Burma, the directors are of the opinion that they are not yet justified in embarking on any long-term programme of rehabilitation.—Reuter

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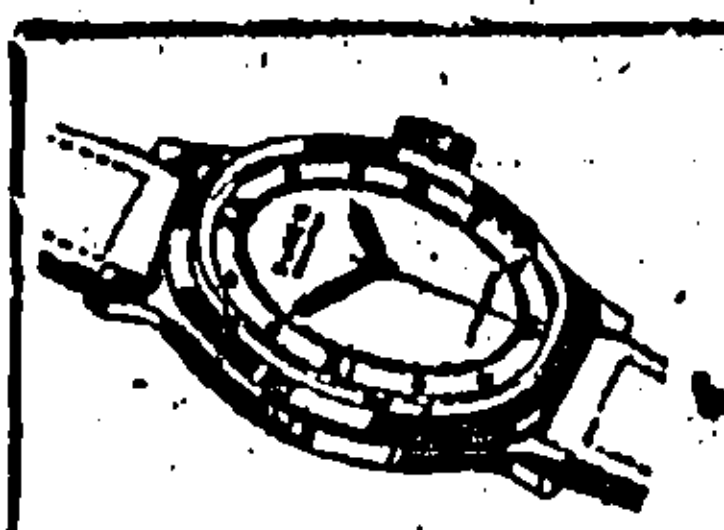
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MADCAPS RETURN TO FORM, BEAT VRC IX

(By "GRANDSTAND")

First Round Draw In Internationals

The draw for the first round of the International Lawn Bowls competition which will be played on Sunday, November 7, starting at 2.45 p.m. resulted as follows:—

Portugal v England at K.C.C. Ireland v Scotland at R.C.B.C. Malaysia v Philippines at K.B.C.C. China v Pakistan at K.C.C.

CHINA'S TEAM
In the International Lawn Bowls match against Pakistan on Sunday at K.C.C. China will be represented by the following:— Francis Lee, Dr. W. W. Lam, H.Y. Hsu and W. Hong Shing (skip).
Pakistan's team will be M.L. Rozack, K.M. Omar, A.M. Omar and U.M. Omar (skip). Referees:—I.M. Omar and B.M. Omar.

PRIZE WINNERS
With the exception of the International Lawn Bowls competition which will conclude some time this month the following are the results and winners of the various tournaments sponsored by the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association.

First Division League:—Winners: Club de Recreation.
Second Division League:—Winners: Club de Recreation.
Colony's Open Singles Championship:—Winner: J.A. du Lutz.
Colony's Open Pairs Championship:—Winners: A.M. Omar and U.M. Omar (skip).
Runners-up: E. Pope, A. Atkins, G.E.F. Thompson and L. Sykes.

INTER-SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Three matches in the School Basketball League were played yesterday at Caroline Hill. Results follow:—
St. Joseph's 26, Queen's College 11; Northcote College 10, Ellis Kadawie 7; Fong Lam 27, YMCA School 17.

LRC GAMES POSTPONED

The Ladies Recreation Club Mixed Doubles Tennis Championship down for decision yesterday, has been postponed owing to the funeral of Mr. Paul Kong, well-known local tennis player.

CLUB LINE-UP

The Club team for HMS Tamar at the Club Ground at 5.15 p.m. tomorrow follow:—
Mackie, Orchard, O'Brien, Gray, Taylor, Small, Leckie, Robertson, Popkin, Cowley, Jones, Mintz, Cairns, Laidlaw, Allwright.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Ninth Extra Race Meeting

Saturday, 6th November, 1948.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.00 p.m. and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.
NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at 3.30 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all chits etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 77818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is 3s including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers' Tio Tio men etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.
Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to leave the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employer's stands.

BY ORDER
S. A. SLAP, Secy.

The Merry Madcaps, runner's up last season, showed a welcome return to form as they topped VRC 8-7 in a last innings co-ordination display.

The Aquacadeirs, were severely handicapped by the absence of three of their regulars, side-lined with injuries at a crucial stage of the pennant chase.

Hindmarcher Peppy Malig's absence was sorely felt when the Madcappers tallied twice in the first frame on "passed balls" alone, and the bellowing bats of Gus Pereira and Gerry Roza-Pereira were conspicuous by their absence.

Madcap hurler Kelly Silva Netto pitched his best game of the season. He limited the heavy hitting VRC nine to seven scattered blows in spite of an erratic start of walking lead-off batter Alvaro Xavier. Kelly, however, atoned for this lapse by promptly fanning the next two batters to face him. Kelly struck-out a total of five and his pitching adversary, Joey Franco, accounted for three, via the strike-out route. Both Kelly and Joey walked three when they could not find the plate.

"Biggest blow" of the season was a clutch of three home runs by Alvaro Xavier and VRC short-stop Alvaro Xavier with a three-bagger apiece. Alvaro stole the thunder at the plate with a perfect day with the hickory, returning a three in three after drawing a pass in his initial appearance at the plate. Alvaro was also the base-path terror, stealing three bases which did not include his success of stretching a single into three-bases; base larceny reminiscent of one Enos Slaughter of the original Gas House Gang.

Early Lead
The Madcaps broke into an early lead with a cluster of four tallies on two bingles, scored around three VRC misuses. Madcaps retained their four run lead for the next two frames. Both sides tallied three times in the second and third. In the fourth, VRC, making a determined effort, slimmed the lead on two blows and a sacrifice. They eventually equaled in the fifth when Charlie Quinn received a life on a fielder's choice followed by Alex Azedo's timely bingle which "knotted" the score at six all.

The Victorians started off in their final frame with Alvaro Xavier's single. He converted it to account in a close play at the home-plate as Romeo Homel pivoted the ball from Matten third-acker Robert Verlysen in an effort to complete a twin-killing. When the dust had settled on the play Chief Umpire Dick Chung's hands were spread-eagled palm downwards—the runner had made it safely.

There was an immediate furor in the Madcap camp. It seemed a "rhubarb" was inevitable until cooler minds prevailed. Alex Azedo was called out on an illegal bunt to end the VRC rally.

When the Madcappers came in for their last innings they needed one run to stay in the game and

two to win. Spiky Gutierrez worked hurler Joey Franco for a walk and stole second in a twin-killing. Ren Sequiera grounded out to third-acker Charlie Quinn and was given a life on a wild throw, leaving two on bases. Sid Holland's batting in a clutch spot fanned the breeze for the Madcaps. Sabu Samr looked over a couple of pitches. He laid the hickory on a flier which he smashed right through the windy-alley where Alvaro Xavier fumbled and deflected the pill into an ungarded spot in the pastures while Spiky Gutierrez and Ren Sequiera were running with the fleeing and winning runs.

Junior League

This season's minor league is a close affair and something is always happening to upset the favorites. Sabu Samr's Reserves team for Indian Internationalists, failed again when Alvaro Assis' Mohawks triumphed over them 8-5. The count was knotted one-all for the first three semesters, but the Mohawks went to town in the fourth to notch up a 3-run rally when Carlos Cruz slashed out a terrible three-bagger after Xavier walked.

Keswani got on via a fielder's choice and Chico Castilho trotted to first base on four balls to load the sacks. Roxus retaliated with a lone marker when catcher Yussu reached third on a bunt, a steal and a passed ball, to score on S.A.H. Bu's sacrifice dump.

It was still anyone's game until the sixth, when the Mohawks put the game on ice with a four run uprising, highlighted by timely hitting on the part of Reggie Silin and Julio d'Almeida.

The Jaguars had everything their own way as Gerry van Langenberg and his boys trampled all over the Wildfires with a 13-2 victory. The Jolting Jaguars played bang-up ball and only committed three misuses in the field—a rare occurrence in the juniors. In addition, their attack was fast. They notched up 12 safeties against the Wildfires two scattered singles, both by C. Viera. Alf Azedo on the mound for the Jaguars checked a one-hit-in five frames and relief hurler Lino Marques who finished the job also allowed a single.

Local Soccer Standings

FIRST DIVISION										
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.			
St. Joseph's	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
China A.A.	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
South China	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
K.M. Hui	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
K.H. Chee	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
Army	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
K.H. Chee	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
Police	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
China A.A.	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
Navy	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
I.A.F.	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			
Kwong Wah	4	1	1	2	18	9	3			

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
China A.A.	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
South China	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
K.M. Hui	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
K.H. Chee	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
Army	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
K.H. Chee	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
Police	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
China A.A.	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
Navy	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
I.A.F.	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
Kwong Wah	9	0	0	9	6	13	0

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
China A.A.	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
South China	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
K.M. Hui	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
K.H. Chee	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
Army	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
K.H. Chee	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
Police	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
China A.A.	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
Navy	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
I.A.F.	9	0	0	9	6	13	0
Kwong Wah	9	0	0	9	6	13	0

Referees To Prove They Can Play Ball

The idea of the Annual Referees v Press Match was to let the public know that the referees could kick the ball as well as blow the whistle. It was emphasized yesterday at the Special Committee Meeting of the Hong Kong Football Referees' Association.

The result of the Association's nomination for a referee for the Referees v Press Match was, Leo Wang-ton on the first place, Sergeant-Major Easton on the second, Yip on the third, and Clark fourth.

Mr. Barretto was nominated team manager. Various names were then selected for the formation of the Referees' football team.

As the issue of colour of uniform could not be decided the matter was duly referred to the team manager. Examiners nominated for the forthcoming Examination of Class III Referees were Messrs. Stone, Yip and Padley. The discussion of the Amendments to the Articles of Association was then decided to be put off till tomorrow at 7.30 a.m.

Controversy Rages On Women's Part In Strenuous Sports

London, October 31.

The age old controversy as to whether women should take part in strenuous sports has arisen with the news that the National Council of the Women's Athletic Association in Britain is to consider holding an international cross country race next year.

Such a suggestion will horrify a large number of people, not only those totally uninterested in sport, but sportsmen and sportswomen themselves. They have seen enough of women, trying to run 800 metres, as they used to do in the Olympic Games, to shudder at the thought of a tough international cross country race for the fairer sex.

Soccer Programme

The following is the programme of First and Second Division soccer matches to be played this coming week-end.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Police v St. Joseph's, Boundary, 4.30 p.m. Referee: A. Willis. Linham v. Wilson and H. Richardson. Eastern v South China, "B", Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m. Referee: F.A. Padley. Linham v. Mak Young-tai and D.P. Lai. Club v K.M.H. Club, 4.30 p.m. Referee: J. Day. Linham v. Li Ling-ling and Leung Yau-tung.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Police v Army-K.H. Boundary, 3 p.m. Referee: J. Ward. South China v C.A.A., Caroline Hill, 3 p.m. Referee: F.A. Padley. Club v Volunteers, Club, 3 p.m. Referee: A. Farmer. Navy v Trinway, Navy, 3 p.m. Referee: J. Ward. Dockyard v W.D. Chinese, Navy, 4.30 p.m. Referee: M. McKendall. St. Joseph's v University, St. Joseph's, 3 p.m. Referee: L. Davis.

SECOND DIVISION

Police v R.A.F., Sookunpo, 4.30 p.m. Referee: C. Tunstall. Linham v. Cheung Moon-wing and Chan. South China v R.A.F., Navy, Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m. Referee: Capt. Stone. Linham v. A. Rebelo and Li Shun-piu. C.A.A. v Kit Chee, Boundary, 4.30 p.m. Referee: A. Gust. Linham v. Delgado and P.M. Xavier. Kwong Wah (bye).

THIRD DIVISION

Police v R.A.F., Sookunpo, 3 p.m. Referee: C. Tunstall. Linham v. K.M.H. v. Kit Chee, Boundary, 3 p.m. Referee: Cpl. Manson. Tallo (bye).

On Monday, November 8, the Poppy Day Charity Match between Combined Services and Rest of the Colony will be played at Sookunpo, kick-off at 3.15 p.m. The game will be handled by Mr. L. G. Young, assisted by Messrs. J. G. Padley and W. Gaffney.

HMS Cossack Rescues 1,270 Military Personnel

HMS Cossack rescued 1,270 military passengers from the grounded Chinese troopship Ling Yung on Sunday, according to an official naval report last night.

After completing the rescue, Cossack resumed her voyage to Shanghai. She is expected back in the Colony on November 16.

The Ling Yung was first reported in distress on Friday afternoon when she sent out an SOS reporting engine breakdown. Gales swept the vessel ashore near Keelung Harbour.

HMS Cossack being in the vicinity of a convoy, went to Keelung to render assistance with Mr. Wang Bang standing by. With practically no outside assistance, a party of seamen from Cossack rigged jetties and life-lines between the wreck and the shore, and spent some hours working up to their chests in water, rescuing the 1,270 military passengers under difficult conditions.

The Ling Yung was last reported to be aground amidstships, but she appears to be safe and is not making water. Her crew have remained on board and the life-lines have been left rigged for their evacuation. It should become necessary to have been requested from Shanghai.

Cossack left Keelung on Sunday afternoon for Shanghai, where she will arrive on Tuesday morning.

NEWMARKET RACE WON AGAIN BY APPRENTICE

London, October 31.

One of the most remarkable things about the Cambridgeshire Handicap, run at Newmarket this week, quite apart from the fortunes won and lost, was that the race was won for the third time in four years by an apprentice jockey claiming an allowance.

Only in the year 1945 were the rules altered so that apprentices could claim poundage in big handicaps. Thus, results prove conclusively that horses ridden by apprentices have a great advantage.

There are those who are saying that this is an unfair advantage and that the recent rule should be scrapped. Such critics point out that the handicapper's aim when framing a handicap is to assess each horse on its running and allot it a weight which, in his view, would result in it running a dead heat with all the other candidates.

He cannot know when fixing these weights which trainers will get apprentices to ride their horse for them.

The reason these youngsters get a special weight allowance is that they are reckoned to be several pounds inferior to full-blown riders. This allowance makes up for this difference in skill.

But the handicapper's task is to handicap horses, not considering in the slightest the ability of jockeys. It does seem, therefore, that there is much to be said for reverting to the old rule, especially in races around the one-mile mark when jockeyship is not of paramount importance and poundage is.

Weight Difference

Gallant Royal Tara, carrying top weight of nine stone, would almost certainly have won the Cambridgeshire, if it had been ridden by a full-blown jockey and carried his allotted weight of seven stone 11 pounds, but the seven pounds extra allowance which young Dennis Schofield claimed, made just that difference in a tight finish the top weight going under by half a length.

It is quite clear that the trainer of Strophe, former jockey Pat "Ruffs" Beasley, purposely chose an apprentice to ride his horse in order to claim this invaluable seven pounds.

With the allotted weight of seven stone 11 pounds, he might have got a good senior jockey, but being a former rider himself he knew full well that however good a jockey he got, the poundage was preferable in this particular case.

It has been said by top-ranking trainers that jockeys or apprentices will differ in very many cases, although it is popularly supposed that great riders like Gordon Richards and Edgar Beckett are worth as much as seven pounds to a horse.

Trainers holding this view say that if only jockeys or apprentices will do exactly as the trainer tells them, the horse will do the rest. The connections of Strophe must have felt that way in staking a terrific £150,000 coup and putting a little known apprentice up.

Possible Harm

To the strong and exceptional, there might be no harm whatever in such races, but to the weaker, those struggling hard to finish, there might be irreparable damage.

Athletics of themselves have no deleterious effect on some women as was shown in the recent Olympic in London by mothers like Fanny Blankers-Koen, the sprinter-hurdler of Holland, and the British woman, Mrs. Dorothy Odell Tyler, who finished second in the high jump.

But it must be remembered that these are not tough endurance events. It may be argued that physical training and exercise improve rather than hinder healthiness of women, but this must surely be qualified by adding that such training should only be done in moderation. Moreover, competition is not necessarily essential to the well-being of women.

Generally speaking, women are not attractive on the track. The javelin thrower, discus thrower, the hurdler and the high jumper, are possible exceptions if the competitors are beautifully built, but there is not much attraction in women straining themselves to reach the tape in flat races and trying to put the shot great distances.

For all that, women's athletics are popular and growing more popular, and if the ladies make up their minds to hold international cross country races it will take more than criticisms by the more male to stop them.—Reuter.

12 MONTHS FOR HAVING ARMS

Twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour was the sentence meted out by the Hong Kong District Court and also to J. Y. K. d'Almeida at Central yesterday.

Both defendants were jointly charged with possession of arms and ammunition, namely, one Mauser pistol, two revolvers and a quantity of ammunition.

Apprehended on the premises were Yuen Kwai, the alleged keeper, and three smokers charged before Mr. J. Wickes at Kowloon yesterday. Yuen was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for keeping the divvy.

Two of the smokers were fined \$35 each.

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Bargaining Fails With Magistrate

A professional burglar found that he could not bargain with Mr. W. H. Latimer when he was sentenced to a total of two years' hard labour on the charges of larceny and breach of deportation order.

When the court sentenced him to consecutive terms of six months and 18 months, Li Yuen, asked, "Why not make it concurrent?" The magistrate's reply was, "I said two years."

Inspector J. Orem said that at 2 p.m. on October 30, 58 Fuku, a scavenging forman, inserted his lane at the back of Pilsken Street and saw defendant wrapping up some clothing outside the back door of house 11.

When accused saw the forman, he dropped the clothes and ran. He was caught by defecating in a gutter, inserted his arm through the fence erected for additional protection, and took the clothes from the clothes line.

Defendant told the police that he climbed the back wall of 11 Pilsken Street, occupied by the Tin Tin Laundry, inserted his arm through the fence erected for additional protection, and took the clothes from the clothes line.

When Inspector Orem informed the court that defendant had three previous convictions in 1947 and 1948, the magistrate remarked, "A professional burglar."

Carried Out Orders

It was understood that Wang and Beasley told Schofield exactly what he must do, and like a good lad, he carried out his instructions to the letter to win.

He was told to follow jockeys, Charlie Elliott and Michael Beary, who were drawn near him, and then he would get a clear run as these great masters knew all the pitfalls in a huge field in a sprint race of this description.

He was told to drop them when he ran into the dip, give Strophe a reminder with the whip and then get cracking for home. And that was how it happened, with Elliott riding imperceptibly proving a splendid leader for young Schofield.

Although bookmakers generally were jubilant at the result of the Cambridgeshire, there will be a good many bemoaning their fate, for Mr. James Townley, the owner of Strophe, backed his horse with no fewer than 83 commission agents who will have to pay him substantial sums.

It was a real old-fashioned gamble, which surprisingly few knew about, at least in Southern Britain.

The winning owner, Mr. Townley, achieved a boyhood ambition by his spectacular coup over Strophe. Just before the war, he was up at Cambridge University studying law. He thought of what fun it would be to bring off a really big turf win. Then came the war and at it, he settled down to his business in Preston, Lancashire, in the motor car business.

Things went well for this former rugger playing under the arbutus and this year, in July, Townley, who is now 34, bought Strophe and sent him to Pat Beasley's stables at Milton. He was duly entered for the Cambridgeshire and there was born the idea of making his dream come true.

As far back as July, he started backing his colt for this week's big race and he went on backing him until he had 83 bookmakers holding his wagers.

Now that he has won this vast sum, Townley says he is going to give up racing purely as a betting owner and become a breeder as he is greatly interested in this side of the sports of kings.

But even thoroughbreds will have to yield first place to cars—his business.—Reuter.

Fisherman Sentenced For Stealing

A 41-year-old fisherman who claimed to have been living in Cheung Chau Island for 23 years without a police record, was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday, for stealing property valued at \$10.50.

According to Inspector J. Orem, Li Yuen stacked a number of square tables